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### Yeltsin Asserts Primacy Of Russia's Influence **Over Ex-Soviet States**

By John M. Goshko ashington Post Service

UNITED NATIONS, New York -President Boris N. Yeltsin of Russia told the United Nations on Monday that Russia's priority interests now resided in the independent states of the former Soviet Union, and he served notice that Moscow had the chief responsibility for ensuring peace and stability among its

Mr. Yeltsin, who joined President Bill Clinton in addressing the opening of the UN General Assembly, said his country's economic and foreign policy priorities "lie in the countries of the Commonwealth of Independent States," as the aroup of states that made up the former Soviet Union is now known.

"Russia's ties with them are closer than traditional neighborhood rela-tions," he said. "Rather this is a blood relationship.'

Mr. Yeltsin is to begin a two-day meeting with Mr. Clinton in Washington on Tuesday. In particular, he said, he wants to discuss with Mr. Clinton ways to speed up negotiations on concluding the comprehensive nuclear test ban treaty so that it can be signed next year on the 50th anniversary of the United Na-

He said he also intended to raise such collateral issues as further limits on the American and Russian nuclear arsenals, further nonproliferation measures and destruction of existing weapons of mass

destruction and guarantees to nonnuclear states that will make them feel safe from the need to develop their own nuclear capabilities.

In his address to the General Assembly, Mr. Yeltsin echoed a theme that has been sounded with increasing frequency by Russian leaders during recent

It has stirred concern in the West about whether militant nationalistic tendencies are reasserting themselves in Russia and spurring Moscow to feel that it can act as arbiter of what happens in Central Asia and other regions along its

Some diplomats and domestic critics of Mr. Clinton's policies even feel that American courting of Russian support in the UN Security Council for U.S. military intervention in Haiti was a mistake because it revived the concept of spheres

According to this argument, Russia can argue that if the United States can take such actions in the Caribbean, Russia has a similar right to interfere in the smaller and weaker countries of its neighborhood. Some U.S. officials said they are interested in seeing how strongly Mr. Yeltsin asserts this position in his talks with Mr. Clinton this week.

Mr. Yeltsin left no doubt that Russia considered conflicts among the commonwealth states "a threat to the securi-

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# U.S. Tightens Grip in Haiti; \*Clinton Removes Sanctions

By Douglas Farah

Washington Post Service
PORT-AU-PRINCE, Haiti — Cheered on by thousands of wildly celebrating Haitians, U.S. troops on Monday took over the nation's most notorious police headquarters, a center famous for repression and torture and a stark symbol of the military brutality of recent years.

The move, along with the occupation of several other important police headquarters around the capital and the spreading of American troops to outlying areas from Port-au-Prince and Cap-Haïtien in the north, seemed to indicate the United States was consolidating its hold and increasingly relegating the Haitian Army and police to insignificance.

At the United Nations in New York, meanwhile, President Bill Clinton announced the immediate lifting on Monday of most U.S. economic sanctions against Haiti, a move that will permit the eventual resumption of commercial air travel and allow Haitians to carry out financial transactions in the United States.

The United States also indicated Monday that its Marines bad shot first in a gun battle in Cap-Haïtien that killed 10 Haitians but strongly rejected charges by Hai-ti's army chief. Lieutenant General Raoul

Cédras, that it had used excessive force or committed an atrocity, Reuters reported. "It is clear that our Marines acted in self-defense." Colonel Barry Willey said. According to U.S. military accounts, the gunfight broke out when an angry Haitian military policeman outside the police headquarters gestured with his Uzi after a crowd of demonstrators taunted men inside the building. The Marines shot and killed him and exchanged gunfire with people in the crowd and inside the police

headquarters.
[Military officials said it was impossible to tell how many shots were fired by the Haitians or how many of the victims were military policemen. It was also unclear whether all of the dead men were armed.

[A Haitian military official also said Monday that armed supporters of the deposed president, the Reverend Jean-Bertrand Aristide, had taken over the northern town of Le Borgne.]

Initially the United States said it would cooperate with the Haitian military in carrying out its security tasks. But actions on the ground gave a different impression.

Every day it is clear the initial agreement was only to allow the army to save face," a Haitian analyst said. "The reality

is that the Americans are in control, and See HAITI, Page 6



A resident of Sura: putting on a mask Monday to protect against the airborne bacterium that causes paeumonic plague.

### In City of Plague, Exodus and Paralysis

By John Ward Anderson

SURAT, India - Many of the streets of this disease-stricken city in western India were nearly deserted Monday as fear of the highly contagious and deadly pneumonic plague kept residents locked in their

Shops and stalls were shuttered, schools and theaters were closed, and most government services were shut because of worker absenteeism. Telephone service was disrupted; thousands of people were thrown out of work by factory closures, and medical services were strained by the flight of numerous private physicians who closed their clinics rather than stay to treat plague

The mass exodus of as many as one-fourth of Surat's 2.2 million residents con-

tinued to spread the fear throughout India that migrant workers returning to their ancestral homes could spread the disease across the country. The concern was heightened by reports that as many as 100 patients with the disease had fled from Surat's main hospital, apparently to join

families leaving the city. Although a few unconfirmed plague-related deaths were reported in Bombay and New Delhi, the death rate appeared to be tapering off in Surat, an industrial town known for diamond-cutting and textiles in the coastal state of Gujurat.

[In trying to prevent an outbreak of the plague in Bombay, India's business capital, city officials have sought vaccines from Israel to fight the disease and poison gas from South Africa to wipe out Bombay's rodent population, Reuters reported.

["Israel has been identified as the place where anti-plague vaccines could be made at the shortest possible time," said a Bombay Municipal Corp. official Sudha Bhave. He also said that a leading diamond com-pany in South Africa had been asked for an emergency supply of cyano gas that could eliminate rats.

Estimates of the number of people who have died since the first plague case was reported in Surat on Sept. 20 range from about 50 to as many as 80, with most officials favoring the lower figure. Hospital officials in Surat reported a total of 333 patients with the disease in hospitals, including 60 new patients admitted Monday. Indian health authorities sent 10 million

antibiotic capsules to Bombay on Monday for distribution in Gujurat and neighbor-See INDIA, Page 6

### U.S. Seeking Compromise Over China's Missile Sales

#### Washington Would End '93 Sanctions Imposed For Deal With Pakistan

By Patrick E. Tyler New York Times Service

BEIJING - China and the United States are making "a serious push" to resolve their dispute over the Chinese sale of ballistic missile technology to Pakistan, a Western diplomat said Monday.

China's deputy foreign minister, Liu Huaqiu, and the U.S. ambassador, J. Stapleton Roy, are both going to Washington this week to take part in an intense round of negotiations at the State Department aimed at breaking the 13-month deadlock over China's missile technology sales and the American trade sanctions that fol-

These preliminary negotiations will then set the stage for meetings next week be-tween Foreign Minister Qian Qichen and President Bill Clinton. Mr. Qian will also meet with Secretary of State Warren M.

The importance of these negotiations is that they represent a determined effort by both sides to achieve a visible diplomatic advance before Mr. Clinton meets President Jiang Zemin at the informal leadership meeting of Asian Pacific nations to be held in Jakarta in November.

They also represent the first high-level diplomatic engagement since Mr. Clinton's politically risky decision in May to break the link between human rights and trade relations with China.

That decision has yielded few of the hoped-for results. Human rights conditions have deteriorated, and the Clinton administration has little to show for conceding China's point that trade and human rights policies should not be mixed.

Since Mr. Clinton's decision. China has shifted its disaffection to other topics, complaining that Washington should also drop economic sanctions imposed five years ago after China's military crackdown on pro-democracy students. Those sanetions still ban some high-technology sales to China as well as transfers of military

In August 1993, the United States imposed further economic sanctions on Chi na after concluding that the Chinese had secretly shipped components of the M-11 missile to Pakistan. The M-11 is a modern, solid-fuel, surface-to-surface missile that is accurate and mobile. It is capable of carrying nuclear warheads.

If a compromise emerges, it will probably allow Mr. Clinton to remove the 1993 missile-related sanctions while at the same time receiving China's pledge to adhere to the Missile Technology Control Regime in the future.

The missile regime requires its member states and other nations with ballistic missile capabilities to restrict exports of missiles capable of delivering a 1.000-pound (450-kilogram) warhead 185 miles (300 kilometers) or more. The founding members of the 1987 agreement were the Western industrial nations plus Japan; China and the Soviet Union were excluded. Membership has expanded to 25 nations.

### German Markets, But Not Kohl, Sense a Setback

By Brandon Mitchener nurnational Herald Tribune

FRANKFURT - Financial markets winced Monday at the results of regional elections in Bavaria, worried that a similar outcome in national voting in October could topple Chancellor Helmut Kohl's

The Deutsche mark weakened against most major currencies, and blue-chip stocks fell an average 2 percent.

Although Mr. Kohl's popularity has been rising in the polls, and Bavarian voters are not necessarily representative of the nationwide electorate, markets treated losses by Mr. Kohl's two coalition partners and a gain by the opposition Social Democratic Party as heralds of change.

"These two elements of the Bavarian elections compounded a general sense of uncertainty that had already been present in the markets," said Joseph Prendergast, a foreign exchange analyst at Banque Paribas in London.

"Although the federal elections are likely to be an anti-climax from a market perspective," he said, "I'd continue to expect a certain amount of trepidation ahead

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LIFE DURING WARTIME - A woman washing clothes in Sarajevo on Monday. The United States indicates it might lift the weapons embargo on Bosnians next month but delay implementation until next year. Page 5.

### Health Care Effort Is Dead for '94

WASHINGTON (Reuters) - The Senate majority leader, George J. Mitchell of Maine, abandoned efforts on Monday to pass a health care reform bill this year, sounding the death knell for President Bill Clinton's top domestic priority.

At a press conference, Mr. Mitchell said he had concluded it was impossible to pass even a scaled-back health care reform bill before Congress adjourns for the year next month so members can campaign for the Nov. 8 congressional

The House of Representatives abandoned its efforts weeks ago.

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### U.S. Colleges Don't Make Grade in Japan

By Andrew Pollack New York Times Service

KORIYAMA, Japan - Texas A&M University is one of the largest institutions of higher education in the United States and prides itself on the academic programs there. But that did not impress people four years ago when the college opened a cam-pus in this city north of Tokyo and tried to attract Japanese students.

People think of the college only as a place to learn English, said Takeshi Watanabe, a student, as he stood in the yard of the nearly deserted campus shortly before it was shut down in August. "They don't look at it as a university.

Texas A&M is only the most recent American college to fail in Japan. In the late 1980s, American colleges flocked to start programs in Japan, mainly to funnel students to their American campuses, but also to provide a place for Americans to study in Japan. By 1991, Japan had more than 20 American extension campuses.

But at least nine programs have been terminated, the victims of Japan's recession and recruiting difficulties. Many of the remaining programs are suffering from a shortage of students.

The closings could widen what both countries agree is a serious imbalance between the more than 40,000 Japanese students studying in the United States and the estimated 1,800 American students in Ja-

The small number of American students reflects the country's high cost of living, the language barrier and a lack of programs for American students, experts say.

The Texas A&M campus grew out of meetings in 1986 between American and Japanese politicians who felt that having American colleges in Japan would promote mutual understanding.

Instead, it became the focus of a dispute between the college and its host city and another symbol of friction between the two economic superpowers,

Koriyama, a city of 320,000, wanted the campus to help keep young people from fleeing to the big cities. With the mayor's support, the city assembly pledged about \$25 million in 1989 to back the effort and to help build a permanent campus.

rary campus consisting of four prefabricated buildings surrounding an asphalt lot that doubled as a parking area and a basketball court. The college offered freshman-level courses taught in English as well as inten-

The college opened in 1990 in a tempo-

sive English lessons. After two years, students would transfer to the main campus in College Station, Texas. But the campus had fewer than 100 students its first year and never attracted

the 300 new students a year needed to break even. The city decided that it would be fool-

hardy to build a new campus. B.A. Stout. See JAPAN, Page 6

### 'O.J.' Trial: A Candid Look at America

By Henry Allen

Washington Post Service
WASHINGTON — We had already had a full plate of myth-tinged mayhem in the last year - Lorena Bobbitt's trial for maining her husband, Tonya Harding's plotting to maim Nancy Kerrigan and steal the Olympic figure skating

Then the police charged O.J. Simpson with murdering his former wife Nicole and her friend Ronald Goldman on June 12. Nicole's head was almost torn off. Ronald's body was covered with stab

It had all the blithe grisliness of a fairy tale or a Greek myth. But now, on television, in supermarket tabloids, in water cooler jokes, it has become the moral equivalent of a comic-book battle of superheroes — The American Dream takes on The Beast Within! Why are we so obsessed with it?

Theoretically, it's People v. O.J. Simpson, which began Monday in a Los Angeles courtroom. But in the national psyche, the courtroom of his murder trial will be an arena where Hero takes on Tragedy, Pride meets Race and Fame meets Fate. It's a hell of a fight card.

O.J. is the biggest American celebrity ever charged with murder. He has been a Hall of Fame running back, broadcaster and movie star. But more than fame is fueling the obsession. You watch him for hours the way a cat watches a goldfish. It

goes beyond star quality, and as anyone in the media will testify, the ruckus is far beyond anything the media could raise all by itself. It's unexplainable. It's as if he were a Kennedy.

He sits in the courtroom like an Easter Island statue - monolithic and mute. You wonder if he knows something you don't, as if he were carrying a football and you were a tackler and he was about to blow past you. When he sits, he slouches a little. When he walks, he moves with a blithe impassivity, like a combination of a god and a game show host. You watch him for guilt, sorrow, hope. You see nothing. The only change

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### Election in Moscow: A Little Strange but Very Normal

By Steven Erlanger New York Times Service

There will be a special election here on a black field. Mr. Fyodorov calls courts by leaving Moscow. Sunday to replace a member of Parlia-ment gunned down outside his apart-ment house in less Andi in the sure in the race is Serge! ment house in late April, in a killing thought to be mob-related.

One of the 12 candidates is Konstantin Borovoi, the founder of the first commercial exchange in the Soviet Union, whose posters show him in sian Orthodox Church, Alexei II. Mr. Borovoi says he narrowly escaped assassination twice in a year.

There is a nationalist candidate, Andrei Sidelnikov, whose posters show him with the grieving mothers of soldiers killed in Afghanistan. Another team and creating a new bus route, then offers three "Barashkov family recipes" using mushrooms candidate, Leonid Barashkov, a busi-

MY TISHCHI, Russia — This is a Russian National Unity party, whose

But the favorite in the race is Sergei Mayrodi, the mysterious boss of the MMM financial pyramid, who was re-leased from jail to run and who can stay out of jail by winning the seat.

Given the stakes for his future, Mr. audience with the patriarch of the Rus- Mayrodi is pulling out all the stops in this suburban electoral district just north of Moscow: making big promises that remind everyone of his MMM advertisements, buying lots of air time and newspaper space, sponsoring con-certs, posting placards and distribut-

ing leaflets.
But Mr. Mavrodi has not set foot in spokesman, Sergei Taranov, said Tues-

And then, there's the requisite quasi-fascist, Alexander Fyodorov of the Russian National Unity party, whose was visible on television, and that he was visible on television, and that he MMM's advertisements became that feared his power and wanted to cut him down.

The contacts will bring \$1.5 million to the were "ineffective," that Mr. Mayrodi cut him down.

SARAJEVO, Bosnia-Herzegovina (Reuters)—UN tank was visible on television, and that he was visible on television, and that he was visible on television.

Avoiding prison, "of course, is one key aim," Mr. Taranov said. "But the main aim is to use the immunity to protect the interests of MMM shareholders through politics."

Mr. Zhigulin said he thought Mr. Mavrodi had a good chance, "After all," he said, "36,000 MMM shareholders live in My Tishchi alone." The same number live in nearby Khimki. another of the five towns in a district of some 2.5 million people and 500,000

"The shareholders are probably enough to win." Mr. Zhigulin said. Some shareholders are angry with the MMM collapse, which took most of their investments. But the fund itself

choice sweets of life - tropical vacations, an apartment in Paris — through his investments in MMM.

"Mavrodi's campaign is exactly the same," said Anna Sikder, a 23-year-old shopping in the local supermarket. "Mavrodi promises to turn My Tishchi into a little Switzerland."

He has some way to go. Only 56 percent of the families in the district have telephones. In Khimki, cuts in military spending have crippled three big factories that once employed nearly 50,000 people and controlled 70 percent of the town's housing stock.

Mr. Mavrodi not only promises vot-ers that he will spend \$10 million on

famous, featuring a shambling Russian ne'er-do-well who finds all the not try to hide his disgust. Khimki is one of the few towns where the entire leadership changed after the failed coup of August 1991, and the administration, at least, is rife with liberal

> "But there is a counterreformation going on now," he said. "There's always the personalization of politics

As for real local issues, like the three big factories in trouble, Mr. Babichev said, "I'm not even sure the candidates are aware of them."

"All our elections are a little strange these days," he said. "Mavrodi is already at the stage where he has to enter the political establishment. It's also some protection for him, it's true. I never really died, and many believed Mr. Mavrodi, who portrayed the collapse as the act of a willful government will get a telephone. Mr. Borovoi promises that his "business maybe."

EU Leader

PARIS — The president of the European Commission, Jac-ques Delors, said Wednesday

he would remain in his post in

Brussels at least until Jan. 25

Mr. Delors, widely expected to be the Socialist candidate in

the French presidential elec-

tions in the spring, was sup-

posed to vacate his position on

Jan. 6 but agreed to stay on until Jan. 25. He said the length

of his stay beyond Jan. 25 would depend on when the Eu-

ropean Parliament endorsed

Mr. Delors has said he will

not announce whether he is a

candidate for the French presi-

dency until he ends his Brussels

Political analysts said the de-

lay would strengthen Mr. De-

lors's position, since it would

enable him to remain above the

fray while the rival contenders

for the conservative nomination

approving his full team of com-missioners until after four new

member states join the EU and

can vote. The four, Austria,

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go at one another.

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### Migration Accord at Risk, Cuba Says

HAVANA (AFP) — The decision of a U.S. judge to temporarily halt the repatriation of Cuban refugees from Guantanamo threatens the implementation of a migration accord between the United States and Cuba, the National Assembly president, Ricardo Alexana said

WORLD BRIEFS

SARAJEVO, Bosnia-Herzegovina (Reuters) — UN tanks came under fire from Bosnian Serb forces on Wednesday, but the United Nations decided against ordering an air strike in response.

The Danish Leopard tanks returned fire from a Bosnian Serb

tank and recoilless gun near the northern town of Gradacac before withdrawing. A UN military spokesman, Colonel Tim Spicer, said: "We believe one Leopard was hit but there are no reports of

The United Nations set in motion the procedure for a NATO

air strike before deciding such a response was not warranted. In

explaining why an air strike was not ordered. Colonel Spicer said

that "in fact the best tank-killing weapon is another tank. In the

"This is a serious and negative development," said Mr. Alarcon, who is representing Cuba in talks with the U.S. government on carrying out a Sept. 9 agreement that ended an exodus of Cuban boat people to the United States.

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U.S. District Court Judge Clyde Atkins issued a temporary restraining order Tuesday in Miami, one minute before a U.S. military plane with 23 Cubans on board was to take off for Havana from the U.S. naval base at Guantánamo Bay, on Cuba's southeast tip. About 32,000 Cuban refugees who were refused entry to the United States after being picked up at sea are being held at Guantánamo and in Panama.

### Russian Team Flies to Site of Oil Spill

MOSCOW (Reuters) — Russian officials flew to the northern region of Komi on Wednesday to investigate an oil spill that U.S. officials say could have a disastrous impact on the fragile Arctic

But local officials tried to play down the significance of the spill, the result of pipeline leaks and the breakage of a dam containing the leaked oil. "There are all these fairy stories about a leak of 200,000 tons of oil," said Nikolai Balin, head of the regional environment committee. "It is stupid. The most plausible figure is 14,000 tons." That would be just over 100,000 barrels.

The Russian Environment Ministry has said the spill is as much because of a delay in approving

as 438 million barrels, while the U.S. Energy Department has said it was estimated to be more than 2 million barrels by U.S. experts

#### For the Record

end air was not needed."

Three blacks were jailed for 18 years each on Wednesday by a South African judge for the murder of Amy Biehl, an American exchange student. "Taking all mitigating and aggravating circumstances into account, the court comes to the finding that the death sentence is not the only appropriate sentence," said Judge Gerald Friedman. Mzikhona Nofemela, Vusumzi Ntamo and Mongezi Maneral and Renters). Manqina had pleaded not guilty.

### TRAVEL UPDATE

### Chunnel Train's Debut Facing Strike

PARIS (Reuters) — Eurostar, the high-speed train designed for the Channel Tunnel, faced a new challenge Wednesday when a French union threatened to strike on Nov. 14, the scheduled commercial launching date of the high-technology rail link.

A union statement said the management of the French rail operator SNCF had ignored its claims about the safety of Eurostar engineers and trains and the pay for staff specifically working

Union has chosen Prime Minister Jacques Santer of Luxembourg to replace Mr. Delors, but Parliament wants to defer The Association of European Airlines said its members will likely report their biggest increase in traffic in 15 years in 1994. Based on travel through September, it said passenger traffic on the 25 carriers should increase by more than 8.5 percent, and freight traffic should rise by about 13 percent.

Finland, Sweden and Norway, are scheduled to join in Janu-A fire destroyed the steel-and-copper cupota of the German Church in central Berlin. The church, in the city's historic district in former East Berlin, was undergoing renovation. Opinion polls show Mr. De-

Italian pilots have agreed to call off a series of strikes over the next month. Pilots for the state-run carrier Alitalia and the commuter subsidiary ATI made the announcement following a meeting with Transportation Minister Public Fiori.

Cathay Pacific Airways will introduce two additional flights between Hong Kong and Hanoi and one between Hong Kong and Ho Chi Minh City, with Vietnam Airlines, starting Sunday. (AFP)

### Alexander Shelepin, **Ex-KGB Chief, Dies**

Shelepin, 76, the head of the ers, joining the Communist Par-KGB during Nikita S. Khruty in 1940 after graduating from shehev's rule who was once conthe Moscow Institute of Histo-

The Itar-Tass press agency reported his death but did not give the cause or say where he had died.

#### All but One Freed In Hijacking in Southern Russia

MAKHACHKALA, Russia - Two crew members were freed from a hijacked plane in southern Russia late Wednesday, leaving only the captain and the hijacker on board, said the commercial radio station Ekho Moskvy.

"The terrorist is demanding another \$2 million." Ekho Moskvy said. The hijacker, believed to be acting alone, has already received \$2.3 million ransom in exchange for releas-

ing 23 hostages since dawn. Prisoners released earlier said the hijacker was carrying only a parcel, which he said contained explosives, and was behaving without undue aggression. In-

terfax news agency said. Commandos have surrounded the plane and emergency services took up positions nearby. The plane has been refueled, but its possible destination was sion, died Sunday of cancer at not clear. Russia has asked Iran Calgary Hospice here.

to let it land there.

The Associated Press Mr. Shelepin followed a clas-MOSCOW — Alexander N. sic career path for Soviet lead-

sidered a contender for the ry, Philosophy and Literature. leadership of the Soviet Union, died Monday.

He became a propagandist for the Komsomol, the Soviet youth organization, and headed it from 1952 to 1958. Mr. Shelepin was KGB chief from 1958 to 1961 and, in 1964, was ap-pointed to the Communist Party Presidium and was widely viewed as a potential Soviet

leader.
But, as Itar-Tass reported, Leonid I. Brezhnev, a senior official under Mr. Khrushchev and his successor as Soviet leader, "saw Shelepin as a serious rival, and removed him from the political scene.

Myron S. Malkin, Physicist Who Guided Space Shuttle WASHINGTON (NYT) -

Myron S. Malkin, 70, a physicist who was the first director of the space shuttle program and a former Defense Department of-ficial, died Monday of heart failure at a hospital in Bethes-

da, Maryland.
From 1973 to 1980, Mr. Malkin led the effort to bring together all the components that became the space shuttle, which remains the principal U.S. space launching vehicle.

Robert Lansing, 66, TV Star Of Series '12 O'Clock High'

NEW YORK (NYT) - Rob-

Mr. Lansing starred in the The hijacking started late television series "12 O'Clock Tuesday when a passenger or- High" and in Broadway plays dered the plane bound for the southern city of Rostov to return to Makhachkala.

including "The Great God Brown," "Suddenly Last Summer" and "The Little Foxes."

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PAPERS, PLEASE — Alerted that rival gangs planned a "duel," Moscow police stepped in. A detective checked the drivers' license of an armed suspect at a restaurant.

### Germans Cite Fewer Neo-Nazi Attacks in 1994

people in separate attacks in the first eight year. months of this year, the parliamentary press office said Wednesday.

least 30 people were reported killed in the first Courts have begun giving longer sentences. three years of neo-Nazi violence.

Law authorities have been battling rightist elderly and handicapped people have also been extremists for four years, and attacks - mostly targeted.

The Associated Press against foreigners — have fallen from a peak of BONN — Neo-Nazis have tried to kill six about seven a day in 1992 to about four a day this ary.

That is apparently because Germany's legal lors has almost drawn even with system, sometimes accused of being too lenient Prime Minister Edouard Balla-Most of the victims have been foreigners, but

dur and has overtaken the Gaullist party leader, Jacques Chirac, the two leading conservative contenders, by keeping out of politics.

# Kohl, With Tiny Majority, Is in for Tough Bargaining

By Rick Atkinson

BERLIN - German politics, for 12 years a predictable and orderly affair, suddenly got very messy this week.

Bickering within the ruling coalition, elbowing for government posts and a constitutional challenge have underscored the fragility of Chancellor Helmut Kohl's 10-vote majority in the 672seat Parliament which is set to convene next

The victory of Mr. Kohl and his Christian Democratic party in the Oct. 16 elections has been quickly overshadowed by the obstacles looming before his badly weakened coalition. that was whittled down from a 134-seat majority.

As coalition leaders began meeting Monday night for three weeks of hard bargaining over the new government's goals and cabinet appointments, it became apparent that even Mr. Kohl—a three-term chancellor with a reputation as a master politician and eternal optimist - has his work cut out if his tenure is not to end in a lame-

Although often arcane and parochial, German parliamentary politics will not only determine Mr. Kohl's success in pressing his foreign agenda for tighter European unity and a broader German role in international affairs, but it will also be critical in such urgent domestic issues as economic competitiveness and immigration

Foremost among coalition woes is the sad shape of Mr. Kohl's junior partner, the liberal Free Democrats.

Having survived a near-death experience the Free Democrats were humiliated in nine consecutive state elections before surpassing the 5 percent minimum needed to remain in the federal assembly by less than 2 percentage points - party faithful promptly fell to squabbling

among themselves. The party leader, Klaus Kinkel, who also is foreign minister, this week repelled a challenge from former economics minister Jürgen Mölle-

#### The chancellor's objective: Not to end his tenure in a lameduck whimper.

mann, his political rival, who accused Mr. Kinkel of leading the Free Democrats "into the abyss." Mr. Möllemann resigned his party post Monday, leaving the field to Mr. Kinkel.

But discontent bubbles just beneath the surface. The Free Democrats are at odds over how best to halt the free fall in their popularity among the German electorate.

The party is short on glamour and its traditional core agenda — free-market economics, government deregulation and a commitment to civil rights — has largely been co-opted by the major parties.

Some liberal leaders insist that in negotiating with Mr. Kohl, who needs the Free Democrats' 47 votes to maintain the status quo in Bonn, the party should play hardball in an effort to sharpen its identity.

Among ideas bandled about: cutting corpo-rate taxes, insisting on the right to dual citizen-ship for foreign residents, slashing red tape, and - in an effort to resuscitate Free Democratic strength in Eastern Germany - declaring the East to be a "low-tax zone."

"We are a dinosaurs' club," a liberal from the East lamented during the campaign. "We're dy-

ing out' But the Free Democrats hardly resemble a

hardball team. Palatinate said publicly that the party is so weak

it must show "restraint." As to suggestions that some liberal malcon-Bundestag, the lower house of parliament, votes for chancellor in mid-November, the party stal-

death blow." Poised to profit from Free Democratic weakness are the Christian Social Union, the Bavarian

sister party of Mr. Kohl's Christian Democrats.

Erwin Huber, the party's general secretary. Scharping.
warned the Free Democrats this week not to press for foreigners' rights, while asserting that majority in the Bundestag," predicted Rudolf crime-prevention laws with no messing around." Difficulties will likely develop when it comes

"I cannot see this coalition doing that, and to handing out cabinet ministries. The Free therefore I don't think it will last 12 months."

After grabbing more votes than the liberals in elections, the conservative party is feeling its

advocated a smaller cabinet, they may find themselves victim of their own policy suggestion. Discontent has also roiled the normally placid

Democrats now hold five of 19 posts; having

Christian Democrats. A Kohl plan to save nearly \$3 billion a year by curbing unemployment benefits was challenged last week by the pro-labor wing of his party, which called for tax breaks for At the same time the chancellor is under pres-

sure from the Bundesbank, or central bank, to The party's boss in the state of Rhineland-alatinate said publicly that the party is so weak many's employers' federation to cut expensive social welfare benefits.

Such countervailing pressures are symptomattents might rebel against Mr. Kohl when the ic of the delicacy with which Mr. Kohl will have to navigate on many issues.

Further complicating the post-election ma-neuvering is a legal challenge by the constitutionwart Otto Lambsdorff, a former economics min-ister, warned, "Whoever does that knows per-fectly well that he will have given the party a feetly well that he will have given the party a Kohl's majority from 2 to 10. Kohl's majority from 2 to 10.

The chancellor got the extra cushion through an electoral wrinkle that permits creation of additional seats under certain conditions; the issue may be headed to the country's constitutional court.

All of which brings good cheer to the opposi-

Dressler, the Social Democrats' deputy parliamentary leader.

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Stumping, Clinton Pushes in All the Stops

NEW YORK - Campaigning for candidates when you are a less-than-popular president is the science of embracing someone while remaining at arm's length, of giving your blessing to a man or woman who may not wish to look like your ally. It is being radioactive without giving everyone else on the dais a lethal dose of political roentgens.

Over the weekend, President Bill Clinton went to four cities in three days and gave eight speeches on behalf of Democratic candidates. If he did not win the Nobel prize, at least give the man a Ph.D.

There is no simple way to measure Mr. Clinton's standing in Chicago, Minneapolis and Kansas City, Missouri, the three Midwestern cities he visited over the weekend. But the customary gauges suggest that he is no more popular there than in the nation as a whole, where polls show that about 6 people in 10 disapprove of his performance.

For example, the president was greeted by sparse crowds at airports and along the routes to his appearances. More telling, perhaps, was the turnout at the four Democratic fund-raising events that were the overarching purpose of his trip.

He collected \$1.1 million at his three Midwestern stops.

including just \$350,000 in Chicago, where a presidential appearance 15 months ago raised \$1 million. Despite the relative indifference to the president in most

places, the national Democrats who arranged the fund-raising events and the candidates who will receive the money say that he is in great demand as a campaigner.

Ann Wynia, the Democratic candidate for the Minnesota

Senate seat being vacated by Dave Durenberger, a Republican, said she was "just delighted" when Mr. Clinton agreed to come to town. "Here in Minnesota," she said. "I detect a huge reservoir of goodwill for President Clinton. They believe he is truly trying to solve the problems of the average American.' In a Chicago speech the president named the three Senate candidates for whom he was stumping exactly once.

And he was careful to note that his endorsement did not imply that a candidate would be loyal to him.

Here was Mr. Clinton in Minnesota: "I came here to ask you to help Ann Wymia - not because, as she said, she would agree with me on every issue, but because she would bring

Such little dodges are part of what makes campaigning such a deft and sometimes wondrous craft.

#### Homosexual Groups Back Senator Robb

RICHMOND, Virginia — Homosexual political activists across the country are working to re-elect Senator Charles S. Robb, a Democrat whom they regard as a leader with the courage to condemn discrimination against them despite the obvious political risks.

The Human Rights Campaign Fund, a national gay politi-cal action group based in Washington, has made Mr. Robb's campaign against the Republican nominee, Oliver L. North, one of its top priorities.

"The radical right views Chuck Robb's convictions on lesbian and gay equality as a weakness, and will attempt to use this against him to defeat him," the fund's executive director, Tim McFeeley, wrote members. "We need to prove that Chuck Robb can beat the radical right this year in ¡Virginia."

#### Quote/Unquote

Kathleen Hall Jamieson, dean of the Annenberg School for Communication at the University of Pennsylvania, critiquing a broadcast advertisement in which Tom Ridge, the Republican candidate for governor of Pennsylvania, is seen with his children: "It's one of those required chiches. You have to establish that he does have a family and that he is comfortable with them — and that the dog doesn't bite him." (NYT)

### Fired Over Race, Teacher Puts Focus on Reverse Bias

By Malcolm Gladwell Washington Post Service

PISCATAWAY, New Jersey -Sharon Taxman and Debra Williams were hired to teach in the business department of the high school here on the same day 14 years ago.

Over the years, they both received side the classroom and were granted ing the women's professional qualifi-

ship decided to lay off one member of the high school business staff, it did them? not hesitate. It dismissed Sharon Taxman because she was white, and kept Debra Williams because she was

What has brought the case national Taxman not to reverse any past pat- after she was dismissed. tern of discriminatory hiring, or even

on the staff of the Piscataway High unwilling to become the latest cause settlement, but that's not the point. It's

Rather it dismissed Ms. Taxman because board members felt a racially diverse teaching staff was a better teaching staff.

For those looking to clarify the often murky legal status of affirmative strong evaluations, volunteered out- action, this has proven an irresistible set of circumstances that raises one of tenure at the same time - to the point the principal unresolved issues surwhere there was nothing at all separat- rounding affirmative action as clearly as if it were dreamed up for a law school's civil rights class: Is it right for But in 1989, when the school board an employer to discriminate in favor of in this large, central New Jersey town- minorities, even if that employer has not previously discriminated against

At the time, the Piscataway school board had no inkling that what it was doing would turn into a national test case over the limits of affirmative action. And when Ms. Taxman sued in attention is that the Piscataway school protest, her only interest was in recovboard chose Ms. Williams over Ms. ering the two years of salary she lost

In fact, she has scrupulously debecause blacks were underrepresented clined dozens of interview requests, educational one. We were offered a Piscataway apart.

célèbre in the fight against so-called a matter of principle." reverse discrimination.

But that is precisely what the 47year-old mother of two has now become, as Taxman v. Piscataway heads for a federal appeals court.

The Justice Department, which under President George Bush had backed Ms. Taxman since the beginning of her fight, took the unusual step two weeks ago of switching sides and taking up the defense of Piscataway.

The move signaled a commitment on the part of the Clinton administration to expand the scope of affirmative action programs. As for the Piscataway school board, it has twice refused to settle the case

out of court, despite legal costs that now outstrip the damages sought by Ms. Taxman. "This was an issue that we felt very

hoard member.

"It was a moral issue as well as an

Sharon Taxman was dismissed under an affirmative action program put in place by Piscataway in the mid-1970s. She won a \$144,000 judgment in a federal court in Newark earlier this year that is now under appeal.

The case hinges on the legality of the guidelines issued by Piscataway, which include, in addition to a general commitment to hiring more women and minorities, the following: "In all cases, the most qualified candidate will be recommended for appointment. However, when candidates appear to be of equal qualification, candidates meet-ing the criteria of the Affirmative Action program will be recommended."

There is no question that had Ms. Taxman been more qualified or had more seniority than Ms. Williams, she would have kept her job. And had Ms. Williams been white, the board would strongly about," said Anne Thomas, a have decided whom to dismiss by flip-

ping a coin. But there are two things that set

The first is that no one has ever claimed that the Piscataway school district discriminated against blacks in hiring or promoting teachers.

These are the conditions under which the Supreme Court has consistently ruled that reverse discrimination is justifiable

Board members chose to keep Ms. Williams because she was the only black person in the nine-member business department, and they felt that providing a diverse group of teachers was an important part of providing a good education.

This is a justification for affirmative action on which, legal experts say, the Supreme Court has never explicitly

The second aspect peculiar to the Piscataway case is that the board used its affirmative action program not in hiring but in firing.

Away

In previous cases, the Supreme Court has drawn a clear distinction between these two practices.

### Mrs. Cédras Reviled For Disdain of Poor

By Rick Bragg

New York Times Service PORT-AU-PRINCE, Haiti - The wife of Lieutenant Gen-

much credit by Jimmy Carter in es here. the accord he reached here last week, but people who know her and the Cédras family have expressed doubts about the former president's portrayal of her as willing to die in the face of an invasion and of her crucial role in the negotiations.

In interviews with more than a half-dozen women of all classes in the last week, all spoke about General Cédras's wife, Yannick, on the condition that their names not be used, fearing retribution.

"She is a strong woman, but she does not make the decisions in the family — he does," a member of Haiti's aristocracy said.

Another well-to-do acquaintance of the Cedras family asserted that the talk of Mrs. Cedras's role in the high-level negotiations was a farce that only American news organizations could create.

The women who were interviewed said that in holding up Mrs. Cédras as a model of Haitian womanhood, Mr. Carter eral Raoul Cédras was given had insulted women of all class-

> "Mrs. Cedras was impressive, powerful and forceful," he said. "And attractive. She was slim and very attractive."

He said also she told him that we decided we were ready to die" after hearing that her family had been designated targets by the U.S. military. The women said the general's

wife, an elegant woman of 38 who dresses in the latest fashions, wears dazzling but tasteful jewelry and never has a hair out of place, is a viciously anti-poor elitist who has never said a kind word or showed any concern for anyone below her class.

Mrs. Cèdras, for example. has talked openly about her disgust for the followers of the Reverend Jean-Bertrand Aristide, the populist president who was deposed and sent into exile by her husband in September 1991.



Yannick Cédras leaving a Port-au-Prince church with her son, Christian, and bodyguards.

#### From Politics • Philip Morris has threatened to pull its headquar-

ters out of New York if the city approves pending legislation that would outlaw smoking in nearly all restaurants and public places. The Reverend Jesse L.

Jackson is threatening to boycott the four major television networks unless they put more minorities in visible and powerful positions. • Drug Enforcement Ad-

ministration officials have ended an investigation into the ways the Cali cartel, the Colombian-based organization, moves cocaine from Colombia through Mexico to the United States. The investigation has resulted in the arrest of 166 alleged members of the distribution network and the seizure of more than six tons of cocaine and \$13 million in U.S. currency, drug agency officials said.

 New York City police are investigating an Austrian visitor's charge that she was raped in Central Park by a man who confronted her, put a sheet on the ground and assaulted her.

NYT, AP, LAT

### TRIAL: The Celebrated Simpson Murder Case Is Putting a Mirror Up to Society, Giving Americans a Candid Look at Themselves

Continued from Page 1

in O.J. in the long weeks in court is the way his face seems to be getting even more beautiful and classically heroic. He is a sure-fire topic of last

resort, like movies.

"I thought he was guilty, says your hostess. "I still do. When I heard about the suicide note I figured it was the best way out. But then I heard he'd escaped and next thing I was standing in front of the TV shouting 'Run, O.J., run.' Why do I feel that way?"

"This is not about race," a guest says in the manner of white people everywhere when They got the news. They said it as if they were proud of themselves, and they were.

White people liked O.J. They liked liking him, too. Liking him proved they were not rac-ists. O.J. redeemed them. Whites never felt that O.J.

hated them. For decades, pictures showed him wide-eyed and a little open-mouthed, like a kid glancing up from a birthday cake. He was race-neutral, like Colin Powell or Nat King

"People have told me I'm colorless," he has been quoted as saying in one of the two quickie biographies published since June. "Everyone likes me."

"I really enjoy being liked," he said once. "I loved it when kids stopped me for autographs. I loved it when people recognized me on the street."

In a country where celebrity is akin to sainthood, OJ. has been famous for a long time.

Then ... "Show me a hero and I will write you a tragedy," F. Scott Fitzgerald said.

"Looking nothing like the buoyant, charismatic sports hero who once earned a nation's adulation, a weary, stone-faced O.J. Simpson yesterday pleaded not guilty," said the New York Daily News, adding the sinister

ed side-to-side." At that arraignment, he had a sluggish arrogance, like a monitor lizard on a too-cool day. At 47, this was a whole new O.J. that contradicted the old one, but O.J. operated with a lot of contradictions: street kid and country clubber, husband and wife-beater, white man's black.

White people liked O.J. They liked liking him, too. Liking him proved they were not racists. O.J. redeemed them.

black man's white, Rose Bowl running back, comedy klutz in the "Naked Gun" movies.

"In Greek literature, heroes have a doubleness," says Caro-line Dexter, classics professor in the George Washington University honors program. They're insiders and they're outsiders. The hero does great deeds. He's recognized. But the true hero story always ends with a mistake, and the hero dies in obscurity. The pattern is, we have to sacrifice our heroes as

scapegoats, like Jesus." And in a country where we twist our tongues around "interracial relationship" because there aren't any good ordinary words for it - miscegenation. race mixing, intermarriage, mongrelization — we're a long way from erasing the taboos against racial doubleness. For some people, the grass isn't just

racial fence, it's forbidden fruit. On one side, we see Nicole Viking jaw, the tennis-WASP-

ate, the gorgeous and conquering warrior hauling the princess up on his stallion.

Department and the prosecutors hate him because he is successful, good looking, was married to a white woman and had battered her."

O.J. offers opportunities to pundits, ax-grinders and psycho-theorists nationwide. In the New York Review of Books, John Gregory Dunne

takes the opportunity to write: "Is there anyone out there who has not heard the fact, the factoids, the allegations, the half-truths, the untruths, the leaks, the smears, heard the Email jokes (hundreds of them, thousands, tasteless, it is always agreed, in all mitigating sanctimony, even as they are passed on: 'Did you hear that O.J.'s signed a new contract with Hertz...he's going to be mak-ing license plates for them' and 'Rodney King told O.J., "Good thing you didn't get out of the car, Juice ..."), heard the theories zipping along the commu-nications highway, crisscrossing the Internet, hundreds of them, too, thousands ... the bloody butcher murders of Ni-

cole and Ron (who in death achieved what O.J. earned in life, the true fame of not needing a last name for identification) a nirvana for conspiracy theorists, halcyon days, not since JFK and the grassy knoll, the three tramps, the single bullet, Zapruder frames 200 to And that's just a part of the

first sentence.

Like so many mythic hapgreener on the other side of the racial fence, it's forbidden fruit. Amelia Earhart, the sinking of the Titanic - this one provokes with her blondness, the massive wild rumors: A drug deal gone wrong. A mob hit. A second California-Aryan tribute to knife. A second murderer. O.J. both beauty and a philosophic covering up for his grown son. ideal. On the other side, he is an A setup by a crazed racist cop.

fact that "his droopy eyes dart- exotic fantasy: naive, passion- Jealousy over a love affair between Nicole and Ronald Goldman, the waiter who brought her the lost sunglasses. Or no, In Ebony, Nikki Giovanni Goldman was gay. Was O.J.'s wrote: "The Los Angeles Police father gay? Jennifer Peace, an edgy but robust woman de-scribed as a former porn star, told police that Al Cowlings, O.J.'s best friend (and driver in the freeway chase) told her that mension: "the envelope," O.J. had told him that he, O.J., glove." had done the killings. And what

about rumors of a bite mark on work the spouse abuse angle, opportunists of every variety. Nicole's back? Or was it a heel particularly since the broad- The rest of us watch while the mark? Conspiracy theories, psychoanalytic theories. He did quote marks around them, as if they existed in a different di-

Meanwhile, sitting in the sky boxes, running the concessions. selling hot dogs to the crowd. love." are the lawyers, politicians, rac-Feminists keep trying to ism-mongers white and black,

casts of the 911 tape of a terri-fied Nicole, but it's hard to We watch thanks to the biggest it because he loved her too think of near-decapitation as casher-in of all, the huge, dishmuch. Martyrdom to addiction, "spouse abuse" in the same linked, lap-topped, adadultery, fame, a ghetto child-league, say, as a bruise from a powered, fame-fueled, dead-hood. Details seemed to deserve thrown ashtray. far into the myths, the dream, the beastliness, the spectacle, that we hardly notice the fact that we've become the spectacle

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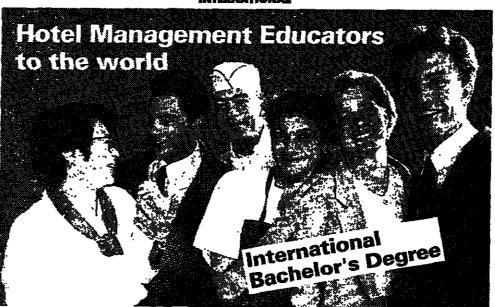
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### **Arduous Task of Selecting Jury Begins** New York Times Service

LOS ANGELES - The laborious process of finding 12 citizens who can try O.J. Simpson impartially, despite the torrent of fact, rumor and falsehood with which they have all been inundated over the last three months, began Monday as the first group of prospective jurors marched into the courtroom of

Judge Lance A. Ito. On Monday afternoon, 14 weeks after Nicole Brown Simpson and a friend, a waiter named Ronald Goldman, were hacked to death and Mr. Simpson charged with the

killings. Judge Ito and the lawyers began reviewing the first few batches of jury candidates, culled from lists of drivers and registered voters in Los Angeles County. Of utmost concern at this stage were not

attitudes toward guilt or innocence, but whether jurors could serve — possibly sequestered — for what could be a six-month trial. Those not excluded for reasons of hardship will fill out 80-page questionnaires, prepared

by Judge Ito. They will then be questioned for

bias, primarily by the judge.

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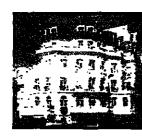
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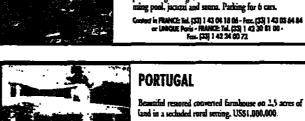


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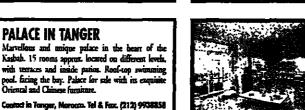
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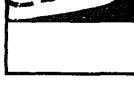
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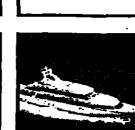
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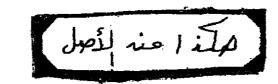
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### U.S. Urges Strict Bosnia Arms Zones

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UNITED NATIONS, New York - President Bill Clinton called Monday for more vigorous enforcement of the "exclusion zones" in Bosnia in which heavy weapons are prohibited.

But with a deadline looming for the United States to fulfill its pledge to push for lifting the arms embargo against the Bosnian Muslims, the Clinton administration has created a possible escape hatch: moving to until next year.

The Bosnian Serbs have been bargo but refused to say wheth-increasingly violating the exclusion zones for several weeks, port delaying the with little response from UN implementation until after the

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an Muslims, a move that is un-popular with U.S. allies in Bos-erally to lift the embargo if the

As a consequence, U.S. offi-cials are exploring the possibili-ty of moving to lift the embargo but delaying carrying out that

step until next year. Mr. Clinton, who discussed the embargo Sunday with the Bosnian president, Alija Izetbegovic, made no mention of the contentious issue in his speech Monday.

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Mr. Clinton has long wanted to lift the arms embargo but has With the Bosnian Serbs balk- been unable to persuade U.S.

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If they do not, he has promised to try to lift the prohibition on providing arms to the Bosni
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U.S. allies in the effort to bring peace to Bosnia have been ed. unwilling to lift the embargo. The United Nations lodged a Britain and France do not sup- strong protest with Bosnian port the idea because they fear Serbian leaders following a for the safety of their peace- written warning Sunday that written warning Sunday that keeping troops on the ground. the safety of planes using the Russia, a traditional ally of the Sarajevo airport could no long-Serbs, is also unwilling to take er be guaranteed. The airport has been mostly

A senior official said it was closed since the air strike "not at all clear" that a delay in Thursday, which was in retalialifting the embargo would re- tion for attacks on UN peacesolve the allies' concerns.

■ Serbs Threaten Flights

Stepping up the pressure on Sarajevo's only outside link, the Bosnian Serbs are warning that they can no longer guarantee the safety of flights to the Bos-nian capital. The Associated Press reported.

They also pulled several anti-aircraft guns out of UN storage to conduct a "training exer-cise," Lieutenant Colonel Tim Spicer, a UN military spokesman, said Monday,

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#### **Rabin Lets Builders** on **West Bank** movements have been restrict-

JERUSALEM - Prime Minister Yitzhak Rabin, who curbed Israeli construction in the occupied territories two years ago, has approved new housing for a Jewish settlement just inside the West Bank, offi-

cials said Monday.
The move, which drew immediate condemnation from the Palestine Liberation Organization, appeared to be designed to tighten Israel's hold on a section of the West Bank directly across the border from where the Jewish state is the narrowest — only 11

kilometers (7 miles) wide.
"It is on the seam," said a Rabin spokesman, Oded Ben-Ami, when asked about a report in the Ha'aretz newspaper that Mr. Rabin had given permission for new housing in the Alfei Menashe settlement, three kilometers inside the West Bank.

He said the term "seam" was a reference to areas just 100 meters or so" across the pre-1967 war border with the West Bank.

### Brazil Leans Toward Cardoso **Ex-Finance Chief Is Poised for Presidency**

By Gabriel Escobar

Washington Post Service
SAO PAULO — With the success of an economic plan he designed fueling his campaign, Fernando Henrique Cardoso seems poised to become the next president of Brazil.

Although the main opposition in the Oct. 3 election insists that the country is in for a surprise, pollsters and political observers say Mr. Cardoso's center-right coalition has an insurmountable lead over his chief rival, the Socialist candidate Luiz Inácio da Silva.

Should Mr. Cardoso get more votes than his opponents' combined total, as some analysts predict, he will win the election outright and avoid a Nov. 15 runoff.

If the analysts are correct, the former finance minister will assume office Jan, I with an unusually strong mandate for a Brazilian leader, a factor recognized even by detractors who grudg-ingly credit him with orchestrating a newfound stability.

Under his administration, Brazil would open its markets, the last major country in Latin America to do so.

Mr. Cardoso's stabilization plan has reduced the monthly inflation rate since July from about 50 percent to less than 6 percent, and he has outlined a broader economic program that was designed to be put in place within the first six

Aides say its immediate goals are to sell more state companies, revise the tax and electoral systems and begin the daunting task of improving health and education for Brazil's long-ne-

glected poor. The challenges facing about 150 million Brazilians are enormous, and no one is predicting a

maintains that the stabilization plan was designed to win Mr. Cardoso the presidency and that he is sure to suffer the fate of its predecessors.

These objections aside, the election of only the second president to be chosen by popular vote in 34 years is seen by many as seminal for the

"Now is the moment of truth for Brazil, time to push through fundamental changes in the economic and political structure so they can have an impact for the next 20 years," said Pablo Renato Sousa, an economist who is national coordinator of Mr. Cardoso's government program. "We will be aiming so that in 20 years we will have a modern economy - competitive. integrated and based on a high-tech industry."

Opponents say the inclusion of conservatives in Mr. Cardoso's coalition will impede any sig-nificant social change. But Mr. Cardoso is widely expected to count on early broad-based support. so long as the stabilization plan remains strong.

Brazil's belated turn to market-oriented economics comes at a time when the poor in other countries that have gone through similar changes in particular Argentina and Mexico - are claiming they have been left out of the formula. With Mr. da Silva and others using this as an example of the troubles the poor would face under Mr. Cardoso, there is pressure to address glaring inequities.

How, or even if, any such changes will affect Brazil's poor in the short term has been a crux of the campaign. Although Brazil is rich in resources, its poor are among the poorest in the world. About 12.3 million people earn less than the \$71-a-month minimum wage, and more than quick fix. Mr. da Silva, a former auto worker. 5 million work without cash wages.

### A City With a Past Hopes for a Future

By Jonathan C. Randal

Washington Post Service
DUBROVNIK, Croatia — At first casual glance on a fine September day after the season's first heavy rains, Dubrovnik, the poet Byron's "pearl of the Adriatic," looks like its old picture

postcard image.

During the day, fishing vessels and sailboats bob along the shimmering water just the way they should. After dark, young people eye each other as they parade up and down Dubrovnik's main thoroughfare, the Stradun.

Close your eyes and dream: Dubrovnik is again not just a resort, but the quick-witted Republic of Ragusa which, from 1358 until Napoleon snuffed it out in 1808, was the center of the insurance trade, a thriving meeting place between the Ottoman Turks and the Western world of the Habsburgs, a favorite haunt of spies and adventurers.

But all is not well today. The idyllic September scenes, like so many others in Dubrovnik's long tradition as a survivor against the odds, are part theater, with these attractive extras unconsciously bolstering the city's

The problem here is the absence of the Americans, the Germans, the Italians, the French, the British and the other foreign visitors who kept this walled medieval fortress town coining money as a tourist attraction.

Asking local tourist officials about the city's finances is a delicate matter, one likely to bring a storm of incomplete statistics and optimistic anecdotes.

The cause of this skittishness is the war following Croatia's secession from Yugoslavia, which visited Dubrovnik memorably in 1991 and fleetingly thereafter, but lingers on sufficiently nearby to discourage all but the most faithful of its well-heeled foreign

In the fall of 1991, the Serbian and Montenegrin pounding by land, air and sea of this port of little strategic value stirred the world's conscience. All of Dubrovnik's old town had been listed as a historical

monument by the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization. French and Italian cabinet ministers and assorted European intellectuals and artists rushed here to show their solidarity for it, as if Venice, Paris or the Vatican had come under bombardment. In fact. Dubrovnik was built to withstand just such sieges and

did so again. The bombardment of the city killed about 200

soldiers and civilians, a small fraction of the numbers slaughtered regularly in neighboring Bosnia when the war spread there a halfyear later. At the Hotel Argentina, Niksa Banicevic of the Dubrovnik Hotel Association is in his element, joyfully volunteering that for

the first time in three years American tourists are on their way, thanks to a San Francisco travel agency. Is it a straw in the wind? Why insult the future by expressing such doubts, he intimates, since Dubrovnik has come a long way since its own dark days,

even if there is an even longer road back to its prewar prosperity.

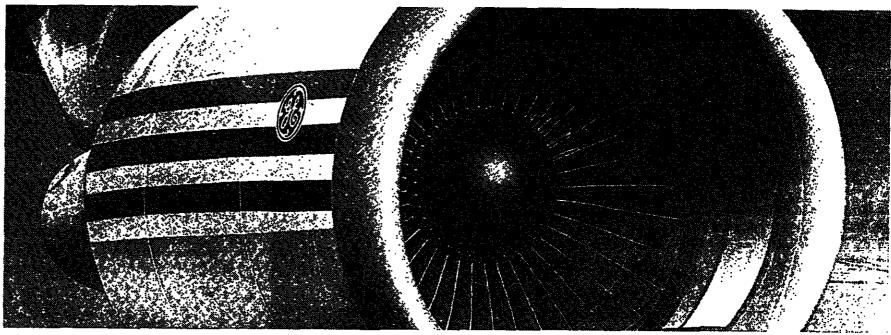
To be sure, a fast hydrofoil link to Bari in southern Italy delivers tourists twice a week during the season, as do overnight ferries from Split and Rijeka, to the north along Croatia's Adriatic coast. Dubrovnik's airport is still avoided by the dozens of foreign airlines that once used it, because artillery shells occasionally land

nearby, but it remains open as a matter of principle, offering a daily flight to Croatia's capital, Zagreb. Still, Dubrovnik soldiers on in its fashion. Boosters are proud of the recently completed summer festival - the 45th in an uninterrupted series - although they are quick to acknowledge that they no longer can afford the foreign stars who helped keep Dubrovnik

among Europe's top-drawer resorts. Unsightly concrete now fills in the holes left by mortar shells that scar its elegant, stone-covered streets. And despite generous private and public donations from foreign friends, six burned-out palaces remain boarded up, and the Franciscan monastery is still without a roof for lack of funds.

But Dubrovnik has old and powerful friends. Ivana Burdjelez, director of the city's international university center, tirelessly calls on a network of foreign devotees to carry her city's message abroad and troll for money and support.





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### U.S. Troops to Block 9 Anti-Aristide Lawmakers

By Larry Rohter

New York Times Service PORT-AU-PRINCE, Haiti - In an action intended to make it easier for Haiti's exiled president to control legislation that would grant amnesty to General Raoul Cedras and other military leaders, the U.S. Embassy here announced Monday that American troops had been been ordered to prevent a group of illegally elected, pro-military legislators from taking part in the deliberations.

Haiti's National Assembly is scheduled to begin a special session Wednesday to consider an amnesty bill for the military, a step required under the accord that former President Jimmy Carter negotiated with General Cedras on Sept. 18. But one-third of the Haitian Senate and a smaller part of the Chamber of Deputies consists of pro-military legislators who want an amnesty much broader than the one favored by supporters of the exiled president, the Reverend Jean-Bertrand Aristide.

The illegal parliamentarians will not be permitted into the session," an embassy spokesman, Stanley Schrager, said Monday. "The U.S. security forces will prevent them from entering."

the Haitian Senate voted into office on Jan. 18, 1993, in balloting denounced as fraudulent by the United States and human rights groups.

Barring the nine from the special session will give a majority to forces sympathetic to Father Aristide and allow a pro-Aristide legislator, Senator Firmin Jean-Louis, to preside over the Parliament for the first time in more than 18 months.

The Foreign Ministry of Haiti's current military government immediately denounced the action, saying it was a breach of the Carter agreement. In a communique, ministry officials said any deployment of U.S. troops at the National Assembly would constitute "intolerable interference" in Haiti's inter-

American officials have said that they are eager to see an amnesty bill approved by the Haitian Parliament as soon as possible to speed up Father Aristide's return to the office he lost in a military coup three years ago.

The Carter agreement provides that "certain military officers" will step down "when a general amnes-

The American decision affects nine members of ty will be voted into law by the Haitian Parliament, the Haitian Senate voted into office on Jan. 18, 1993. Or October 15, 1994, whichever is sooner."

Since the Carter agreement was announced, however, Father Aristide himself has carefully sidestepped all questions about whether he personally supports a broad amnesty.

"In time, the Parliament will make a pronouncement," he said in an interview with Canadian televi-SIOIL

But many of Father Aristide's supporters in Haiti have made it clear that they bitterly oppose any kind of broad amnesty. They argue that while it may be permissible to pardon the military for its role the coup, soldiers, officers and civilian gunmen should be held accountable for the thousands of killings. rapes and acts of torture they have committed since

"Justice has not been pronounced in these cases," said Necker Dessables, executive secretary of the National Justice and Peace Commission, the human rights arm of the Roman Catholic Church. "Arnnesty means pardon, but you have to know who is being pardoned and why."

### HAITI: As Crowd Cheers, U.S. Takes Over Infamous Police Headquarters INDIA:

are increasingly making it clear that it will As the presence of U.S. troops helped

Father Aristide three years ago, the first group of Haitian refugees returned voluntarily Monday from Guantánamo Naval Base in Cuba.

in Haiti last week to ensure that the junta leaders step down by Oct. 15, and to create a secure environment for Father Aristide's

Haitians or acts against U.S. troops, Colonel Willey said, U.S. troops would begin a monthlong program Tuesday of buying

pay \$50 for handguns, \$100 for semi-automatic weapons, \$200 for automatic weapons, and \$300 for heavy weapons, rocket

launchers or explosives. Just how discredited and reviled the military is here, and how much many Haitians are relishing their new-found freedom to express themselves when in the presence of U.S. troops, was evident Monday.

A crowd of several thousand massed in front of the police headquarters known as the Cafeteria, the most famous center for torture and disappearances in the capital. when U.S. soldiers showed up to take control of the installation.

**■ Some Sanctions Remain** 

Ruth Marcus of The Washington Post

back weapons. He said the army would ment of the lifting of U.S. sanctions in a speech to the General Assembly, left in place sanctions that froze the assets of Haitian military leaders and their supporters and restricted their travel to the United

#### stead greeted their predicament with fatalism. "I have faith in God not to

Damji Bhai, 50, explaining why he was not wearing a mask. Residents complained that unusually hard monsoon rains and the almost nonexistent response by the government afterward were to blame for the Kohl's coalition the edge in the Bavarian Parliament. They outbreak of the pneumonic elections.

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Plague Panic

anxious residents.

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ing states, where plague alerts have been issued by medical of-

ficials and pharmacies have been emptied of antibiotics by

Many people who ventured

onto the streets of Surat on

Monday covered their faces

with surgical masks, handker-

chiefs and, for women, folds of

their saris. Here at the center of

the plague outbreak, the initial

panic has subsided. People in-

affect me with the disease," said

cousin of bubonic plague. Bubonic plague is spread by insects, like fleas, which bite an infected rodent then bite a human. Pneumonic plague begins the same way, but in certain cases the infection enters a human's bloodstream and moves to the lungs. The airborne bacteria are then spread from one human to another through

Surat has a long record of poor hygiene. It is often referred to as India's dirtiest city

have flocked to the city in recent decades.

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■ Nations' Protective Steps Monday to guard against the was the "fatal blow."

Reuters reported.

Hong Kong, Pakistan, South
Korea, Thailand and the United Arab Emirates all said they would examine travelers from India to see if they were stricken

Bangkok airport said they were pressure from Washington, Ja-

Continued from Page 1 of the event." Most analysts, in failed to clear a 5 percent hurdle fact, continue to give Mr. and will lose their seats in the

change our bottom-line view polled 3.9 percent, that Mr. Kohl will make it." It was the Free said Bernard Godement, an analyst at Nomura Research Institute in Paris.

Barbara Boettcher, an analyst at Deutsche Bank Research, gives the current Bonn coalition of Christian Union on Oct. 16, gained 4.1 percent parties and Free Democrats a to claim 30.1 percent of the 55 percent chance of being re-

elected. "The SPD claim that Germans want a change isn't reflected in the polls," she said of

the Social Democrats Mr. Kohl and Klaus Kinkel, who is the German foreign minsaid the Bavarian elections were

at all," Mr. Kohl said.

irrelevant

The Christian Social Union. the Bavarian sister party of Mr. two biggest parties. Kohl's Christian Democrats. The city generates about the state with 52.8 percent of

The Free Democrats, who share power with the Christian ism. Union parties in Bonn and have

tional politics for 25 years, polled just 2.8 percent, less than threat to stable government and the far-right Republicans, who a continuation of fiscal and eco-

It was the Free Democrats' sixth straight loss in regional elections. They also lost their seats in the European Parliament in a national vote in June. The Social Democratic Party. which hopes to topple Mr. Kohl

vote, and Rudolf Scharping, the party's candidate for chancelfor, declared that the party was on a rebound.

Some political analysts expect the former Communists, the Party of Democratic Socialism, to win more than 25 seats ister and leader of the Liberals, in the lower house of the German Parliament, the Bundesrelevant. tag, thus depriving the current "I don't have a funny feeling coalition of a majority and shifting the political balance in

> Democrats and Greens that depended on the silent support of the Party of Democratic Social-

Despite the market reactions Monday, the prevailing market markets,

tion, whether headed by the Christian Democrats or the Social Democrats, poses little nomic reform, though a change of government might slow the process down.

"There's no doubt the marof Banque Paribas. "Anything most likely outcomes, there's

A red-Green coalition, however, would be expected to have a negative effect on markets. "This would lead to an outflow of funds, with foreign investors leaving the market," Gerhard Grebe, an economist at Bank

Sachs agreed that markets favor of a grand coalition of the would react badly to a swing to the left, expecting less of a com-A strong showing by the for- mitment to fiscal consolidation, dropped 2.1 percent Sunday mer Communists would also all lower share prices, higher interfrom its previous performance low the creation of a "red- est rates and possibly unwelbut maintained a majority in Green" government of Social come changes in the taxation of interest income.

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College officials also say the campus had a poor reputation.

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U.S. health officials said they American colleges in Japan would monitor airports for say such reputation problems plague cases. Malaysia and result from unfair trade prac-Germany advised their citizens tices. Japan's Ministry of Eduto postpone travel plans to af- cation refuses to accredit the fected areas. Hong Kong said it American branch campuses, so might isolate passengers with many Japanese students shun plague symptoms for a number them, and their American stu-

Officials of American colleges here concede that they do not meet all the requirements for accreditation.

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### Russian Border Guards

DUSHANBE, Tajikistan — Russian guards patrolling Ta-jikistan's uneasy frontier with Afghanistan killed 22 Tajik re-bels who tried to enter the former Soviet republic over a twoday period, a border guard spokesman said Monday.

stepped up cross-border attacks after representatives of Tajikistan's former Communist govsigned a temporary cease-fire on Sept. 12.

### CIA Sees A-Arms In Iran's Future

The Associated Press

WASHINGTON - The Central Intelligence Agency believes that Iran will be able to build its own nuclear weapons in 8 to 10 years and that it is focusing on Russia as a potential source of key materials and direction.

R. James Woolsey, the director of central intelligence, said that in addition to an aggressive effort to strengthen its conventional defenses, Iran had put a high priority on acquiring nuclear weapons. He was speaking Friday to a conference spon-sored by the Washington Institute for Near East Policy.

"Iran has been particularly active in trying to purchase nu-clear materials or technology clandestinely from Russian sources," Mr. Woolsey said. He added that Iran was also trying to buy fully fabricated nuclear weapons as a shortcut to be-coming a nuclear power.

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Calling the Haiti mission a "prime example" of the United Nation's role in the post-Cold War world, Mr. Clinton said the United States in Haiti had demonstrated that it would lead a multinational force when its "interests are plain, when the cause is right, when the mission is achievable, and the nations of the world stand

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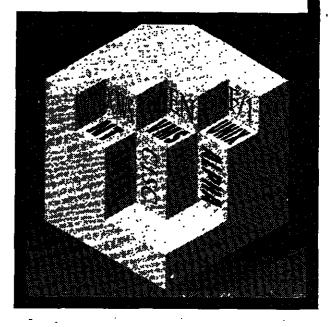
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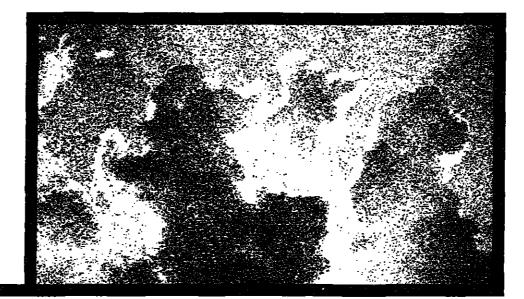
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### **Toward Deeper Nuclear Cuts**

Boris Yeltsin of Russia can spur efforts to curb the spread of nuclear arms when they meet in Washington.

They can do so only if they recognize that the fewer warheads they have, the better the chances of keeping them out of the hands of other countries. But a justcompleted Pentagon review of America's nuclear posture could get in the way of deeper cuts.

The two leaders need to arrange for closer monitoring of Russia's vast stocks of nuclear material - to keep any of it from slipping onto the black market. In view of alarming reports of attempted smuggling, the material needs to be col-lected at a few well-guarded storage sites while the Russians determine how best to dispose of it.

Unfortunately, Russia's nuclear custodians are resisting any sharing of custody or help from the outside. Mr. Clinton needs to persuade Mr. Yeltsin to break down their resistance.

The two leaders also need to advance the larger goal of stigmatizing and reducing nuclear arms. They can expedite global bans on nuclear tests and on production of fissile material, commit themselves to negotiate deeper nuclear arms cuts and reduce the role of these arms.

The Pentagon's posture review, by continuing to embrace an outmoded Cold War strategy, will impede any significant reduction in nuclear roles. The review does recommend removal of nuclear arms from all U.S. surface ships and a modest cut in bombers. That is not enough. The review also lowers U.S. warhead requirements, making talks on further cuts possible. But the administration says it will not pursue such talks until Russia implements the latest strategic arms reduction accord.

Administration officials argue, short-

President Bill Clinton and President sightedly, that proposing new talks would only invite the Russians to reopen that accord instead of ratifying it. On the contrary, deeper cuts would redress imbalances in the agreement, making Russian ratification of that agreement easier. Cuts would also leave fewer warheads to

secure against smuggling or misuse. Mr. Clinton and Mr. Yeltsin need to pursue further cuts to improve the political atmosphere for achieving two of their aims
— securing unlimited extension of the 1968 Nuclear Nonproliferation Treaty at next year's review conference and advancing multilateral efforts to curb trade in bomb-making material and technology.

In the 1968 treaty, states without nuclear arms agreed to forgo developing them and to accept international inspection of their peaceful nuclear programs. In return, the nuclear-armed states pledged to negotiate in good faith on effective measures to end the nuclear arms race and disarm.

The United States and Russia have halted nuclear testing but have yet to conclude a formal ban. Even after the latest round of cuts is implemented, they will still have more warheads than they did a quarter-century ago.

The non-nuclear states, led by Mexico, are trying to get the nuclear powers to keep their end of the bargain. They are threatening to hold up unlimited extension of the Nonproliferation Treaty. That would be self-defeating since the treaty keeps their neighbors from acquiring these arms.

But they may have the votes to block extension. They also have a reason for encouraging nuclear powers to do more to disarm: diminishing the status of nuclear arms removes an incentive for others to acquire them. Mr. Clinton and Mr. Yeltsin cannot afford to miss this point.

-THE NEW YORK TIMES.

# The Move Into Suffering Haiti Is Worth the Gamble

BALTIMORE — Observers on all sides still recoil from the idea that a partnership between Bill Clinton and Jean-Bertrand Aristide can or should succeed. This is hardly surprising.

Many Americans, after all, instinctive ly shrink from military intervention anywhere, while just as many have grown contemptuous of government's ability to manage even small tasks at home: A miracle from Washington? In Haiti?

Maybe. Bill Clinton did not risk his presidency without anguish and deliberation, any more than President Jean-Bertrand Aristide easily agreed to have his country invaded.

By last spring, as it became clear that draconian economic sanctions would fail, the Clinton administration took the first step: concentrating on Haiti.

Hard examination produced commit-ment with the exiled Haitian government to specific steps aimed toward a mediumrange goal, based on a series of judgments about political reality.

The goal is to create conditions favorable to constitutional democracy in Haiti, without the long-term presence of foreign troops. We must stay focused on that goal. So far, the mission confirms the assessment that well-trained troops can make this a police operation rather than a war. The safe landing of U.S. troops is far more important than charges of warmongering or waffling.

All the furor over the agreement between the former president (Jimmy Carter) and the phony president (the Haitian figurehead Emile Jonassaint) is a small price to pay for the steady accumulation of unopposed military strength behind the Clinton-Aristide plan.

Tactical concessions to the Haitian strongman, General Raoul Cédras, are being recovered by the continued application of measures already planned.

The quiet disarming of the Haitian Army's few large guns, for instance, is

By Taylor Branch

more important than anything Mr. Carter may have said to General Cedras.

With war fears calmed, American viewers learned for themselves another premise of the commitment to Haiti: that Haitian security forces, supported by thugs, are not capable of permitting free assembly or free speech, even for Parliament. To secure these essential conditions for constitutional democracy, they can and must be disarmed, controlled, replaced.

The conflict over amnesty begins another test. Predictions that General Cédras and his top commanders will leave

#### With help from Washington and the world community, a democratic miracle is possible.

Haiti rest on the judgment that they will demand amnesty for murder and other gutter crimes as well as political ones. Because the Americans and the Aristide government are jointly resolved to oppose an overly broad amnesty, they see General Cedras eventually accepting the protection of exile.

More than likely, the delicate balance between justice and reconciliation will require international mediation.

The Aristide government and the Clinton administration are exploring the creation of a UN "truth commission" to gather facts about human rights crimes. Until the restored Haitian government establishes courts and security forces, it will be too weak to try such cases — or may choose not to, for reasons of national stability — and a truth commission could serve as a buffer of justice in the interim. Father Aristide could point to the tribunal as a source of hope for Hai-

Both Father Aristide and the U.S. government expect that the shocking record will help neutralize the worst offenders not already in exile. Thus they hope to meet another goal of democracy: a reformed, reduced security force under civilian control.

When the multinational peacekeepers arrive and sanctions are lifted, a backlog of aid and trade will work to lift Haiti from destitution toward a free economy. Another underappreciated reality is that UN relief agencies, the World Bank and other staid promoters of free-market development stand behind Father Aristide and not the generals. His economists speak the language of capitalism, whereas the Haitian economy has been modeled on

the rackets of the sheriff of Nottingham. Despots have limited big industry in Haiti to franchised monopolies, with market enterprise stamped out everywhere from farm produce to the concrete business. As a result, the average Haitian earns less than a dollar a day, and spends nearly 20 cents of it just to buy water. Father Aristide's stated goal is to raise Haiti from destitution to dignified poverty. Because of Hain's small scale and abysmally low starting point, the U.S.-Haitian strategy is that the most basic gains in literacy, jobs, health and market reform will stabilize,

not threaten, a new political order. For all its audacity, the Clinton-Aristide partnership is a limited one. The theory is that the United States can lead an international police action to remove a stubborn, despotic clique that has hijacked Haiti's first democratic election. Where others see Haiti as a protracted civil war, the Clinton administration agrees with Aristide supporters that people with guns have oppressed people armed only with votes. If that proves wrong, and the struggle degenerates into civil war, much of the gamble will be lost

tian victims, underscoring his pleas and foreign troops should leave. An against violent retribution.

American garrison would squash the very democracy Washington seeks to loster.
With diminishing protection from

peacekeepers. Haitians must determine whether democracy takes root. Father Aristide understands that the U.S. commitment runs more to the new

Haitian Constitution and the faith of his voters than to the success of his regime. He has freely pledged to work toward next year's elections as a noncandidate. to fulfill his term, surrender office to a duly elected successor and retire peacefully. Until then, he knows that it will require all his statesmanship to restrain his followers and preach peace toward his enemies.

For the United States, it will require just as much discipline to give up control in Haiti. Power does not easily step back. But that was the test of wisdom going in. It is just possible that the combined will of Haiti, the United States and the world community can begin a democratic miracle in this hemisphere to stand alongside the recent wonders in Europe and South Africa.

No country needs a birth of freedom more than Haiti, and unexpected success there might scrape off a few barnacles of American cynicism, too.

Even if Haitian democracy stumbles. however, the Clinton-Aristide gamble will prove worthwhile if it meets the standard of principle and reality, prudence and vision.

A historic gamble in Haiti humbles our preference for drama in great world capitals, but it could be the stuff of leadership and high patriotism.

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### **Europe's Changing Union**

While the European Union is required by solemn treaty to become much more tightly integrated over the coming years, that may or may not actually happen. A profound political struggle over the future of the Union is now under way among the 12 countries that belong to it, and its essential purpose is - once again - an open question. The issues aren't new, but now the prosperous democracies of Western Europe have large responsibilities for dealing with the poor and unstable countries to their east.

The Union is expanding. Next year Austria, Sweden, Finland and Norway will probably join. But, much more difficult, the Union must respond to the urgent appeals from Poland, the Czech Republic, Slovakia and Hungary to be allowed to come in. Until now the European Union has been a relatively homogeneous family of the rich. To bring in the eastern countries will inevitably change the whole nature of the association.

Germany's governing Christian Democratic Party proposed several weeks ago consisting of five - France, Germany and the Benelux three - moving toward increasingly close integration, with the other members following more slowly, depending on their wishes or circumstances. Prime Minister Edouard Balladur of

France replied with another variation on that theme. There was an immediate protest from Britain, where Prime Minister John Major countered with the concept of flexible cooperation - in effect, a kind of smorgasbord at which each country could choose for itself the areas in which it was prepared to integrate.

These difference are fundamental, On one side are the countries - with Germany and France at the top of the list that see the European Union above all as a political instrument to ensure that there will be no more war and no more division on their continent. On the other side are those, led by Britain, that believe the sovereign nation-state is the natural and proper unit of political life, and that the Union ought to be limited to a useful commercial relationship.

The integrationist side of the argument has suffered severely from the Union's inability to pull together a joint European policy capable of ending the savage war in the former Yugoslavia. But the integrationists still seem to have to organize the Union around a nucleus the initiative, and they have now reopened the constitutional debate on the next Europe. The decisions on the four eastern countries, and whether and how to bring them into the Union, will establish its character for decades to come.

- THE WASHINGTON POST.

WASHINGTON — It is a useful coincidence that Boris Yeltsin's visit to the United States falls almost exactly on the anniversary of his invasion of the Russian Parliament. The Clinton administration took the lead among Western governments last year in supporting the Russian president's claims that Parliament was "Communist-dominated" and "anti-reform." It encour-

aged his military action. A year later the futility of Mr. Yeltsin's move is clear. His aim of replacing the old Parliament with one that would be more subservient has not been achieved. When Russians went to the polls, they signaled their disapproval of Mr. Yeltsin's behavior by electing more deputies who opposed him than the previous Parliament had. Among them was the horrendous Vladimir Zhirinovsky. Russia's Choice, the only party to unequiv-14 percent of the vote.

One of the new Parliament's first acts was to pass an amnesty to free two of Mr. Yeltsin's bugbears from jail: Alexander Rutskoi, the former vice president, and Ruslan Khasbulatov, the former speaker. There were no public demonstrations against the move.

It is true that the elections also resulted in the adoption of a new constitution that was designed to weaken Parliament and give the president extra power. But the margin was narrow, and official figures on the vote seem dubious.

Regardless, the new constitution means little. The use of force at the Russian White House last year, by Mr. Yeltsin's opponents as well as by the president, in-creased public cynicism toward the political elite. It set back the creation of a law-based state and made it easier for the criminal mafias to take deeper root.

By Jonathan Steele

Before the October "events," the country had a relatively strong president and a relatively strong Parliament. Now, it has a weak president and a weak Parliament. The only positive results of the elections and the charged atmosphere Mr. Yeltsin's actions created were that they forced the government's long-standing splits on economic policy into the open and strengthened the hand of the pragmatists under Prime Minister Viktor Chernomyrdin.

During the campaign, Russian ministers popped up in three po-litical parties, while Mr. Chernomyrdin conspicuously supported none of them. The confusion highlighted a paradox: While Mr. Yeltsin had claimed that he was being obstructed by the old Par- are out, since inflation has wiped

ASPEN, Colorado — On March 20, the UN com-

mander in Bosnia, Lieutenant

General Michael Rose, organized

a soccer match in Sarajevo to

show how effectively an ultima-

tum to the Bosnian Serbs had

stopped their shelling and snip-

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mockery of Sir Michael and his

• Resumed intermittent snip-

• Closed the city's one road to

ing and shelling into Sarajevo.

Over the last two months the

tion of their beautiful country."

liament, the battles inside his government were equally fierce. The issue was not anti-market or promarket, but what route toward the market to take.

Back Russian Reform and Its Sensible Advocates, Not a Weak Yeltsin

The siege of Parliament and the elections put pragmatists on top. To his credit Mr. Yeltsin has accepted the situation. Except for Russia's Choice, every party pro-posed a "socially oriented" market economy, meaning two things: a more gradual transition than the one introduced by the previous economic overlord, Yegor Gaidar, and a strong continuing role for government investment.

Russia, they note, still has no private businessmen willing to invest more than token amounts long-term. Small-scale investors

• Fired at relief planes as they

land at Sarajevo Airport, forcing

suspensions of relief flights.

• Cut off the supply of electric-

ity, gas and water to Sarajevo.

• Resumed "ethnic cleansing"

on a large scale, driving thousands

of people, mostly women and chil-

dren, from their homes in northern

Bosnia because they are Muslims.

jevo are bad enough. The scenes

of "ethnic cleansing" are sicken-ing. Red Cross officials say wom-

en have been beaten and abused.

then forced to walk across no-

man's lands. Men have been tak-

en away to unknown places,

probably prison camps.
The United Nations, NATO

and the United States are all com-

The renewed assaults on Sara-

out everyone's savings. Foreign investors are reluctant. This leaves Russian state investment as the only viable option for a long time to come. Those who campaign for sharp cuts in the Russian budget are therefore calling for Russia's deindustrialization.

Mr. Chernomyrdin represents the cautious reformers, who want to keep Russia's industries in business while modernizing and preparing them for international competition. He recognizes that in many areas, such as military technology and heavy engineering, Russia is a market rival of the West and cannot be a partner. While Mr. Yeltsin's poor health pushes him increasingly into a figurehead role, Mr. Chernomyrdin is working relatively harmoniously with the parliamentary ma-

With Mr. Yeltsin's visit to the United States, the Clinton administration has a new chance to show that it supports a process in Russia rather than a personality.

By all means, be polite to Mr.

Yeltsin. But don't pander to his ego or imply that Parliament is not a crucial part of any "new Russia." And if the West wants to forestall any chance of humiliated nationalism arising in Russia, then let it encourage the common-sense moderation of Mr. Chernomyrdin and the parliamentary majority who do not want to destroy Russian industry

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In dealing with a dictatorship, it is simple prudence to listen to its critics. This has not been U.S. policy in dealing with Iran's clerical tyranny. The State Department has shunned all contact with a key opposition group, the Mujahidin Khalq, which also happens to be the group most loudly denounced by Iran. Bothered by this boycott, Congress last year instructed the administration to prepare an objective written report on all the Iranian opposition groups.

Yet the State Department still refuses any contact with the Mujahidin Khalq, a stance protested recently by a flock of U.S. senators and nearly a hundred representatives. Indeed, it is hard to see how any study can be complete as long as the State Department studiously ignores one important component of the Iranian opposition.

More specifically, the State Department should at least give the group a chance to answer the charges that have made it so controversial and, apparently, so unpopular among makers of U.S. foreign policy. Among these charges are that, in years past, the group was responsible for killing Americans, and that to-day it obtains help and protection from Saddam Hussein's dictatorship in Iraq.

Some facts are not in dispute. The Mujahidin Khalq was part of the radical coalition that ousted the shah of Iran in 1979; only later did these generally secular revolutionaries break with the ayatollahs. It is also a fact that this group has

gents have struck across frontiers from bases in northern Iraq. But its ubiquitous representatives claim their movement is democratic, that it long ago shed its anti-Americanism and that it has helped to galvanize a global campaign against human rights offenses within Iran.

One can doubt any or all of these claims and still be troubled by the State Department's closed ears. It is especially distasteful that this boycott is treated as a victory by Iranian mullahs, who urge other states to have no contacts with Mujahidin Khalq "terrorists." This comes with special impudence from clergymen who clamor for the death of the novelist Salman Rushdie, who are plausibly linked with the murder of Iranian dissidents in France, Switzerland, Turkey and elsewhere, and whose agents are believed to have assailed Mr. Rushdie's translators and publishers

in Japan, Italy and Norway.

Speaking in Chicago last month to the annual convention of B'nai B'rith, President Bill Clinton called the Iranian regime "the world's leading sponsor of state-spon-sored terrorism." So long as Tehran continues to export death squads, and exhorts its followers to kill a foreigner for writing a book, it cannot in decency ask Washing-ton to avoid contacts with "terrorists." Iran's record needs to be taken into account if the administration is to be objective in judging the Iranian opposition. -THE NEW YORK TIMES.

BRUSSELS—NATO's foreign ministers, in New York for the opening of the UN General Assembly, have finalized their selection of the alliance's next secretary-general. The appointment of Belgium's foreign minister, Willy Claes, is likely to be seriously criticized, particularly in some American political circles, including sections of the administration.

Such criticism is, however, misdirected. It is harmful because, in NATO's precarious state, agreement on the individual should have, and be seen to have, the wholehearted approval of all member countries. It is also unnecessary because it is caused by a profound misunderstanding of the selection process and the competence of the post.

For this eighth appointment, an unusually large number of names and nationalities had been under consideration; previously, selection was made smoothly between one or two possible candidates. Instead, individuals and countries appeared to have been battling for the post while, in reality, no personal or national candidatures existed. The selection process has

its special ways. Nationality comes into play only negatively, in that a Greek or Turkish candidate is excluded due to national antagonism between those countries, or an Icelandic or Luxembourg candidate because of the lack or small size of the military forces of those countries. Up to now, no American could

be considered, since the Supreme

By Frederick Bonnart

Don't Target the New Man at NATO

Allied Commander Europe has always been an American general. This was essential: The critical nuclear deterrent was almost completely U.S.-owned and its release would have needed an executive order by the U.S. president to a U.S. commander.

Given the irrelevance of nuclear weapons in solving today's crises, the replacement of an American commander by a European one would now be technically feasible. But such a move would have been a mistake at this time, even if balanced by the selection of an American as secretary-general, because it would further endanger the size of the U.S. military commitment to Europe and thus reduce the visible strength of

the trans-Atlantic link. France's attitude toward NATO is undergoing considerable change. Still, it remains outside the military structure and a Frenchman could not be considered for the secretary-general's job at this stage. The possibility will not be excluded later, however. Similar considerations would apply to a Spaniard. As a result, a candidate can emerge

from only a few nations. Consideration of the individual is similarly restricted. In this respect, NATO differs from such organizations as the European Union and the United Nations. NATO is an international organization in which every member country has an equal voice and no decision can be taken without unanimous agreement,

So the secretary-general has no power. He does control the small international staff. But even there he is constricted by political considerations. He chairs the North Atlantic Council whether it meets at ambassadorial level or at that of ministers or heads of government. He may, of course, express his opinion to them individually or collectively, but he has no vote and no voice in the final decision. Outside the organization, he may express only what is accepted policy by them all.

Nonetheless, several secretaries-general, including the late Manfred Worner most recently, have been able to help shape policy by persuasion, tenacity and tact. In general, however, member governments seem to prefer a loyal and efficient administrator to a charismatic politician for the post.

It is in vain, therefore, to look for powerful leadership from the incumbent. Leadership must come from the member nations. Until the end of the Cold War. this was exercised mostly by the United States. Its present attenuation has left a void that no member state has been able or willing to fill. It is this topic, rather than the selection of the organization's secretary-general, that should be addressed by the critics.

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By Anthony Lewis mitted to limiting the war in Bos-nia and its inhumanities — commitments they have promised to

uphold by force if necessary. So

jority on a joint agenda.

Isn't It Clear? Talk Won't Move the Bosnian Serbs

what have they done about the recent savageries? Nothing. The other day NATO planes attacked one unmanned Bosnian Serbian tank near Sarajevo. The attack was made not because of the Serbs' many assaults on the city, but because they had fired at

French peacekeepers. In fact, NATO had repeatedly called for the bombing of Serbian heavy weapons brazenly intro-duced into the zone around Sarajevo from which heavy weapons are supposed to be excluded. Sir Michael rejected the requests, saying

they would worsen matters. A week ago Sir Michael threatened to call in air strikes on Bosnian government forces after they fired. That is, he threatened to bomb the victims of genocidal ag-gression when they had the nerve

to fire at the aggressors.

How did a respected soldier like General Rose come to speak and act so pathetically? He has failed at executing a policy designed for failure. The West, following its own

principles, should have come to the defense of Croatia and Bosnia when Serbs attacked them. Instead Britain and France sent contingents to a UN force

that sees no difference between

United States, under two administrations, has tried diplomacy without the only thing that would move the Bosnian Serbs: the real use of air power. That means attacks on serious military targets and headquarters, not pinprick raids on a single abandoned tank. President Bill Clinton, under a

aggressors and victims. And the

mandate from Congress, may ask the United Nations Security Council by Oct. 15 to lift the arms embargo on the Bosnian government; if so, the council will say no, and the United States is unlikely to act unilaterally before next spring at the earliest.

What the Security Council has voted to ease are sanctions on rump Yugoslavia, because President Slobodan Milosevic of Serbia promises to stop war supplies going to the Bosnian Serbs. To monitor that promise there are to be 135 international observers -45 in each of three daily shifts watching a 480-kilometer (300-mile) border.

And so we head for another Balkan winter, with more Bosnians dying -- and more disgrace for the rest of us.

Anthony Lake, the national security adviser to Mr. Clinton, wrote the other day in The New York Times (IHT, Sept. 24): "The Sarajevo ultimatum succeeded be-cause the threat of NATO air pow-er was judged real." Please, Mr.

Lake, be serious. The New York Times.

### IN OUR PAGES: 100, 75 AND 50 YEARS AGO

#### 1894: Papal Conflict PARIS - There is a curious dip-

though not in the immediate future, since it can only begin at the next Conclave, that is to say, on the death of the Pope. Formerly Austria, France and Spain had the right to oppose their veto to the election of the Pope. They have never exercised this right, but it still exists, and Count Kalnoky has declared that, theoretically, he reserves the right of exercising it should the necessity arise. Thereupon the legists of the Holy See declare that the right has become obsolete, that it answers to a state of things which no longer exists, and that it is an anachronism.

lomatic conflict in perspective.

### 1919: Invasion Expected

HAVRE - Passengers from America who arrived by the French liner France confirmed

the reports which have already reached France that the tourist invasion will begin very soon and that accommodation is reserved by every boat well into next year, a few cabins being held on each steamer for emergency voyagers.

#### 1944: Soviet Advance

LONDON -- [From our New York edition: Yielding more than 500 towns and villages to the Russians, the mauled divisions of the German Northern Army Corps fell back on Riga last night for what may be their last stand in the Baltic states. A brief Soviet communique reported that Red Army forces took more than 200communities in their drive to clear the scattered and disorganized enemy from the west coast of Estonia, southwest of Talling. and thrust on down to within forty-five miles northeast of Riga, taking 300 places in Latvia,

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homeless" and the homeless being

shelter stall being "atraid of the

giant circle of mutuality," with the

that among homeless women "fear

sure, ones that led him to conclude

with all great professionalism.

cul-de-sac called poverty - Mr. Lie-

intensity of observation rare in the writing of sociologists. Going unto the writing of sociologists. Going use dead-ends of homelessness — the standard to standa

served for 25 years. Mr. Liebow was given an endowed chair at the university's school of social work.

Institute of Mental Health where he

and after retiring from the National

University. Mear the end of his life,

earned a doctorate from Catholic

Eastern Europe who were Mom and Pop grocers, with the family living above or behind the store, He

bly designed to help them.

Mr. Liebow was confortable in his research. He had grown up in a black neighborhood in Washington. He son of Jewish immigrants from the son of Jewis

much craziness among homeless per-sons as there is in the system ostensi-

he believed, "there is not nearly so

tionshiy" of the system. "For them."

to them is the arbitrariness and irra-

ers find they cannot deal with what

physical survival," he wrote, "Oth-

stamps, medical care - for help in

system — public assistance, food

struggle to remain human in the face of inhuman conditions."

most "are engaged in an unrenntiing refuge, Mr. Liebow learned that

"Many look to the social service

He got straighter answers, for

"no all its forms stands out."

"It seems to take the shape of a

"To complete the circle," he add-

everyone is right to be afraid."

non-homeless citizens,"

to find a shelter where women took time, or at least the time he needed en in "Tell Them Who I Am." In no COTHET WHERE I STATTED. as a political issue in the mid-1970s that homeless people — discovered WASHINGTON — When it be-

WEVNAHITE opening, public sentiment began sonp kitchens and shelters were were in fact increasing even as more - were not going to vanish and

the human eyesores from disturbing the peace of decent folk. nalizing of panhandling to zoning ordinances that promised to keep Laws were passed, from the crimideinstitutionalized psychotics found courts. the hordes of sidewalk beggars or turning against them. Citizens who were either alraid of or fed up with

cancer, at 69, early this month, givfriend of poor people. He died of Liebow, a sociologist, writer and the miserable and mad in the streets. ness to become personally close to cept that few ever make it their busispont temedies to homelessness, ex-Everyone, it appears, has opinions

sole and passionate books about soing America a chance to remember him as the author of two indispens-One stirring exception was Elliot

ciety's vulnerable. In "Tally's Corner," written in 1967 and seiling over 900,000

South Seas, Oscar Lewis in Mexico in the field - Margaret Mead in the Much like other social scientists men — unskilled workers, the jobless — in a Washington slum. In 1993, the second work appeared, "Tell Them Who I Am," a lucidly reported account about the lives of homeless women in a Washington suburb. Wuch like other social scientists lives of two dozen low-income black copies, Mr. Liebow explored the

studies, each with its own neat, clean plan to do three or four separate I was completely submerged and my information: "I went in so deep that picking up a full continent of usable ing only a one-block enclave but enabled him to spend a year studyculture that was "Tally's Corner" R. W. STARMANN 3d. ticipant in the lives that he set out to be informed that he needs to retire. -Mr. Liebow found himself a parseems intent on letting Mr. Carrer do Secretary of State Warren Christo-pher's job for him. Mr. Carrer should

the return of unsolicited manuscripts.

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J. W. BOYD.

think that Exxon's quick reaction Edwin M. Yoder Jr. seems to Regarding "Exxon's \$5 Billion 'Lesson' May Exact Some High Costs" (Opinion, Sept. 22):

alternative energy sources. ni inemisevni egginoone idgim il ilee oil stocks, so much the better, gers of supertankers. If investors ings about the environmental danawards by its refusal to need warnchance for "good intentions" on the back. But it had missed its to a catastrophic spill is worth a pat **TEON ARDEN.** fair one, better.

General Raoul Cédras and his fellow it again. Speaking softly and carrying North Korea's Kim Il Sung, has done ed Afghanistan, the man who hugged Jimmy Carter, the president who trusted the Soviets while they invad-

A free press is a wonderful thing. A

boxed himself into a faulty victory

shor it is said that he foolishly

lem, met his goal without firing a

Clinton, faced with a similar prob-

his way in. This was called a brilliant success. When President Bill

suade the enemy to withdraw from Kuwait, he failed and had to shoot

stray in the desert to my to per-

erage of the Haiu affair. When President George Bush placed an

I am bemused by the media cov-

Duras, France. EDWARD RAPP. seen enough to doubt their efficacy. extraordinary endeavors. We have are a recent phenomenon. We must

The occupation of Haiti is not in

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St. Genis, France.

WILLIAM SPRING.

dorsed superpower bullying.

been at least one Kennedy brother in The enormous infusions of help spots of the past 20 years. the world out of most of the hot These limitations would have kept not in fact aggravate the situation. lem in a long-term way, and the probability that intervention will

At the very least, we should define each others' throats in civil conflict. It would appear that the Interna-tional Red Cross, Doctors Without Borders, UN forces and the big powers themselves should not risk unable to cope. And when it goes in to help, it fails. What is the answer? others — has left the world recling,

carefully when to go in based on the following: safety for the personnel. war cheer is the federal budget. He is translating his seniority (fourth in the Senate, behind Strom Thur-mond, Robert Byrd and Claiborne Pell) into contracts, public works and other ingredients of Massachu-setts's hisb-root dier

And old habits die bard. There has be reluctant to surrender. rough is an asset people here may Kennedy occupies at the federal indusiry. So the large place Mr. and by a shakeout in the computer

spend more. But Mr. Kennedy's real

million and expects Mr. Kennedy to

to the country, conservatives will

When those numbers percolate out

percent, Kennedy 42 percent,

In Mr. Kennedy's five re-election abortion) like that of the incumbent governor, Bill Weld, a Republican who is romping toward re-election.

cial tolerance (he is pro-choice on

blend of fiscal conservatism and so-

Michigan. Mitt Romney espouses a

George, was elected governor of

Senate and Mr. Romney's father,

Mr. Kennedy was first elected to the

Bradlee Jr., this race is Pat Boone against Dean Martin.
Mr. Romney was 15 in 1962 when

words of The Boston Globe's Ben

him swear he never swears. In the

with calleine. People who know

doesn't drink, not even Coca-Cola

detectives to snoop into his past.

A Mormon faither of five sons, he

contrast with Mr. Kennedy. Mr. Ronney is mildly amused by the fact that Mr. Kennedy has hired

casting to send to them as the ideal

talist, is approximately what Repub-

Opponent, Mitt Romaey.

Мг. Коплеу, 47, а venture capi-

is endangered. For some while, whispers have been heard: This time, Ted Kennedy

the fact that its era has long since passed, But the Tyrannosaurus Rex

uberalism lumbers on, oblivious to

licans would have asked central the one state George McCovern car-

inay actually have to break a swest of voters do.

To get re-elected. Then last week a showed Mr. Kennedy in a statistical aboved Mr. Kennedy in a statistical dead heat with his likely Republican yet born when John Kennedy was dead heat with his likely Republican yet born when John Kennedy was dead heat with his likely Republican.

can politics, where the dinosaut of whose wisest detractors will concede

BOSTON — Massachusetts may years — since lack went from the be the Jurassic Park of Ameri- navy to the House in 1946, And Ted.

By George F. Will

Of the Liberal Dinosaur?

Can You Hear the Throes

Cambridge poll says; Romney 43 campaigns, he has averaged more than 66 percent of the vote. The

reach for their checkbooks.

Mr. Romney expects to spend \$7

# in Central America. Or the fact that whether the Catholic Church apart in 1932, the year liberalism have unsavory political connections one asked Mr. Kennedy about, say, DEMOCRATICE COMMITTEE COMMITTEE SENDING HIM OUT TO CAMPAIGN FOR REPUBLICANS...

national mood now may be that grayer without these two. But the American politics would be quest for a fourth term. Mario Cuomo, who is behind in his dy is one of the two. The other is Mr. Romney financed one of his 59 business deals through Drexel Burnbasm, of Michael Milken fame.

dy said the church should. I hen the presidency of another Northeasterner, Franklin Roosevelt, Mr. Kennecame of age with the election to the

gray is beautiful.

ism makes him insensitive to womThe two emblemane figures of em's issues, wondered aloud why no liberalism today are two Northeast-The two emblematic figures of sides, weary of questions about whether his candidate's Mormon-ंग्रह ट्यारशंग िंग इस टांस. ousness. Then there could be a closracy might like the tone of today's campaign. One of Mr. Romney's in effect: One pope at a time.
There are still six weeks for serinewspaper of the Boston archdio-cese editorially told Mr. Kennedy, ed Massachusetts as a semi-theoc-The political Puritans who start-

TELLERS LO LHE EDILOB the family of one of his investors matters as the fact that members of

"Jaw Jaw" or Wal Wal"?

the election will turn on such micro-

his business record. But Mr. Romney believes that it is unlikely that

can nomination, mostly concerning

vs. conservative choice.
So far, however, Mr. Romney has been criticized, by the Kennedy camp and by a rival for the Republicamp and by a rival for the Republicamp.

reform, get squarely joined, this campaign could be a clear liberal

welfare reform through health care

has been just slightly less Democratic state, ic than the most Democratic state. Rhode Island. If the issues, from

elections (since 1968) Massachusetts

states Ronald Reagan carried twice. Still, in the last seven presidential

ned in 1972 to being one of the 44

distant as the Taft administration. Massachusetts went from being

assassinated. To them, Camelot is as

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monument and in a state in which

Komney is running against a public

ably had a more consequential career than cither Jack or Robert. So Mr.

that he is a gifted legislator, has argu-

The dizzying string of crises since the Victoam War — Angola, Yugo-slavia, Somatia, Kwanda, Haiti and

"miracle"), by military cutbacks setts's government (the Dukakis setts's high-pork diet.
The Massachusetts economy has
been badly bruised by Massachu-

Congress for all but two of the last 48 for nations at war with themselves

### BOOKS

WHAT THEY RE READING



"I didn't want to go to col-

of life in Vieinam. It deals with "It's a very truthful account by Mguyen Huy Thiep. Vietnam, is reading "The Gen-eral Relites and Other Stories" national Monetary Fund in deat representative of the Inter-

• Erich Spitäller, senior resi-

(IHI, Adquir most) ity of a people and society in ese society and the tenuous realaspects of traditional Vietnam-

character in the film "The

pieasant haze. didn't exactly want things to content to spend his days in a chings to important people, listen to his parents' advice and wear suits, and say important alienated fellow, disinclined to lege. I didn't want to get old, Graduate," Ozzie is a vaguely

CHEZZ forever, swimming and listenliving in a shack on the beach "I didn't want to work for anybody," Ozzie explains. ly, either. I could picture mysell want them to change drasticalstay as they were, but I didn't

Nas Nai 14 BC7 Kes 15 Nb6 marry the beautiful Colleen Vo-II MP2 MP3 IS MCJ KY8 IS promises no future. Or he could fears. He could go on working at Ducrouler Finished Metal Products, stacking H-beams, I-beams and sheet steel, a job that beams and sheet steel, a job that For example, 9...Ni6 10 e4! Ne4 awkward alter 8 Qb6 ab 9 Na3. 7... Na5? would have proved grove back the queen knight: Indeed, Kamsky's 7 d5 Nd8 could be drafted, which he college, which he detests. He bly compelling. He could go to Ozzie's prospects aren't terri-

Yosemite Valley with the chil-dren. We'll take a camera and amping every summer in the piece of reverse development. DeSoto, I think. And we'll go have a nice car, honey," she says. "A Studebaker, No. no, a less, his 8... Mf6?! was a new game too easy for his opponent with 8... Nd2 9 Nd2, Neverthe-Colleen, needless to say, is pushing for marriage. We'll trying hard not to make the After 8 Mbd2, Anand was ther, a wealthy mortician. would be a disaster for Black. gel and go to work for her fa-

time," she says later "Is that "I want us to be happy all the folds up on itself and disapped Dad when we come back." have slide shows for Mom and Finally Anand avoided the vard to victory. At this early stage. Kamsky was probably already looking for-ward to victory

"Saks of thousand oof 11...Qe7, but his situation was queens by retreating with possibility of an exchange of

.lulwa er, hoping to put out the fire

The smashing breakthrough Joes not work after 8...Ned 9 के हे के के के प्रति हे के प्रति हे पर है पर

ing position) 18 Bd6 Kg8 19 ab Bf8 20 Bf8 Kf8 21 Mc4, threat-cning 22 Mb6!, will cost Black INO DAWIS WILL AN OVETWICKED-Kg8 20 Re7 Mt8 21 Bc5 wins Black a piece down, while (17... Noo 18 de be 19 Qe4 puts that the forced 17...Qb5 16 Bd7! Qd7 17 Qb5! Seeing sme, and the match, away with 15 Rel Kis, Kamsky put the with 13 e5! was not slow in coming. After 13... Vits 14 ed ed

Опееии Були ОБЕИІИС Position affer 15 ... KIS 118-M-NSAVA more material, Anand gave up. ●贈 踏立**建**度 **LELMINE TALE** 

hack good chances in the endigs ab 18 ab Bg7. which yields LI SPN 91 ION IPN SI ZON 13 Nee 13 NPQT NQ4 14 Nee

B\$3 66 10 b4 a5 11 Bd4 R<sub>E</sub>8 12

enions with 5... Qa5!? More-

ofy have speculated on compli-

-edorq bluods bacaA won ruc

oraced his center with 3 c3.
On 4...Qb6, Kamsky desended his b2 pawn with 5 Qb3,

itter 2...c5. he cautiously

es committing 2 Mf3. Again,

anditious 2 of in favor of the

and more from the led back from the

to run into unpleasant tactical

FIDE quarterfinals.
To begin with, Kamsky se-scred i d4, which is less likely

2 of the tichreakers, in the

GATA KAMSKY beat Vis-wanathan Anand in Game

ву Robert Byrne

est of his life. Like the Dustin Hoffman

problem of what to do with the

named Ozzie, faced with the

year-old high school graduate

time, the hero is a confused 18-

forward a decade to 1953; this

bright, disaffected 10-year-old

as seen through the eyes of a wartime California, circa 1943,

derfully evocative portrait of

Rick DeMarinis gave us a won-

L of the Zinc Penny" (1989),

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and diverts. Unlike "Zinc Pen-

highly clicbed portrait of the plot. Like "The Year of the Plot. Like "The Year of the Zinc Penny," this novel entertains

nanded use of metaphor, its

pomied by the novels heavy

charting Ozzie's emotional coming of age, "The Mortician's Apprentice" makes for easy reading.

Still, it's hard not to be disspanited by the novel's heavy-

with some charming set pieces

such an engagingly hapless fel-low, because his book is filled

fluently because his hero is

yield-per-acre crop, a crop

of commodity report on a high

check the weather forecasts or

preakfast the way some people

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Ozzie's own stint as a coffin

and suffocating comfort, and

in terms of grotesque morbidity

in-laws is alternately described The lifestyle of Ozzie's future

1950s notion of the good life; money, a big bouse, a luxury car, in short, a safe, secure and unterly predictable existence.

death with the stereotypical

these pages. DeManuus equates

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to the profession of Colleen's and Harriel" (elevision show)

name (which recalls the "Ozzie ism in this novel, from Ozzie's in DeMarinis's use of symbol

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as a prosperous mornician.

Horatio Alget success.

"I checked the obituaries in

. . saw the obits as a kind stock quotations," Ozzie says.

wanted a bigger share of."

Because DeMarinis writes so

given him a brief tour of the staff of The New York Times.

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गाला १०० वर ट्याइडिस्कारम पंचर्ट ११ Colleen by putting a down pay-Ozzie has decided to reclaim In fact, it's not long before lonely and jealous. effect: It makes Ozzie sad and move that soon has its desired one of Ozzie's best friends in a

icen retaliates by taking up with

pals. Predictably enough, Col-

spree in Mexico with his male

nage and goes on a drunken

shrugs off all talk about mar-

pulling back emotionally. He

Although he's eager as ever to sleep, with Colleen, he starts

he simply isn't ready to become

their innards, and Ozzie decides

corpses and how to vacuum out

control "lip drift" on the

or word mid garwords, visurion

way, it is. Colleen's father has

For Ozzie, at this point any-

the mortician's apprentice.

was no expression of love or emotion," he said. "You have to deal with those things."
How does he deal with them?
"Well, that's why I'm wearing pajamas tonight," country closed in the 1980s. Amid the crushing din' In truth, there have been no Playboy bunnies in the United States since the last Playboy Club in the greeters, just for decoration." Look of the '90s.' Hargitay in electric blue, explained, "We're just fully tail. Another ex-bunny, Leora VanHoke, in red satin and flanked by LeMesurien and lane vanud sall tol stangissb noidesi sain bunny outht replete with collar, cuits and benefit was the competition of top "I feel tame," said Robin LeMesurieu, clad in a SUIA sat to warb last sall only real anachronism seemed to be the former If being risque was the order of the evening, the

AIDS," she said.

"I hope this is the last benefit we have to do for

edo tails with a cigarette in one hand and a bunch of

black corset, fishnet stockings and silver satin tux-

down the runway in Richard Tyler's offering of a

began stripping, the comedian Judy Tenuta, the

with many of the runway models. When one of them

of disco music, one judge for the heralded fashion show, Phyllis Diller, looked elegant in comparison

"But I'm also a personal trainer. This is a great place

up, a black satin bikini brief and black army boots.

free cameras stamped with the Playboy bunny sym-

lining the floor and carpeting on the walls. Forget with orange shag carpeting, crushed-velvet pillows

orgy rooms stood empty. It had a distinctly '70s feel,

safe sex: no one was even kissing here.

At the front door, Marc Winer was distributing

"I'm a muscle boy in black," Winer said of his getbol to arriving guests, including the actors Don Adams (of Maxwell Smart fame) and James Caan.

In a cameo appearance, Roseanne sauntered show's mistress of ceremonies, screamed, "I hate to tell you this, but all these guys are gay!"

> in a very puritanical, repressed home where there He sipped his whisky in the portice. "I was raised heterosexual audience, but we've always crusaded

yesteryest are just a dim memory. Past the sauna

This being the age of AIDS, the rancous romps of

Which is where, exactly? "More love, of course."

"All those prejudices from the past need to disap

with two young children whose toys and backpacks nem vimes a tief past now that he is a family man

thought that his trademark partying attire had be-

he explained obliquely, as if someone might have

pear if we get to where we need to."

are scattered about the mansion.

"Obviously, the magazine has been aimed for a Playboy philosophy is all about," Heiner said. "Knocking down the boundaries: that's what the male and the other half female. half-bunny outfit, in which half of her body was The actress Ann Magnuson modeled a half-Hef, silver polka-dot bathing suit. mirror, while Oldham offered a retroish pink-andThierry Mugler's entry featured matching bra, Jug musi ymosod nadi xini 🖘 With promises of being "empowering, not victima-izing," the updated bunny looks were more domina-

among top fashion designers, including Anna Sui, Betsey Johnson and Todd Oldham, for their inter-pretations of "The Bunny Look of the '90s," But the real draw was the runway compenion

also a tax write-off for Hefner and a high-camp hoor for those generous enough to donate \$250 or more Fighting AIDS, the source earlier this month was Billed as a "hoppening" to benefit AIDS Project
Los Angeles and the Design Industries Foundation

"It's retro: everything that's old is new again. As we approach the millennium, we'll look back and wish we had it back." sophical as he clutched a Jack Daniels on the rocks. "What is the '90s?" Heiner asked, sounding philo-

68, didn't really care. But in cither case, the pajama-clad Hugh Heiner, And despite the remnants of Playboy's party-mongering past — celebrities, playmates in the grot-to and bunnies in the driveway — the outre proceed-ings may have signaled either the end of an era (for homosexual men) or the beginning of a new one (for homosexuals) within the Playboy dynasty.

to redefine an outmoded cultural icon, the the front lawn to muscle boys in the game room, they flocked to the Playboy mansion OS ANGELES — From drag queens on



# Updated Bunny Look at Playboy Mansion

That is why the store is offering small items to tempt customers:

said Aerin. "She came from this part of the world. But I realize "I feel very proud; I admire what my grandmother has done,"

The Lauder visit to Prague was significant for the launch of a new generation of the dynasty: Ronald's elder daughter. Aerin, 24, a marketing executive with the Prescriptives brand. She was with the mother to Greek with the property of sixth per mother to Greek with the mother the mother than the mother the mother than th

policy 35 years ago, we would still be a local company. I take a

business than sales we will get in one of our brands in one slore in Borse, Idaho — \$800,000 in a suburban store and \$500,000 in the first year in Prague," he says, "But if we had started with that

The sales we will generate in Czechoslovakia represent less

Europe could account for 50 percent of company sales. Leonard

that for the people of Prague, cosmetics are a luxury."

with her mother lo Carole and sister lane.

returning to a luxury tradition. tion of 1989, it may signal that once drab central Europe is Prague. And as the lipstick revolution follows the Velvet Revolu-But clothes shops now jostle the crystal glass merchants in

sold) may be as a source of fashion inspiration, rather than as : success of fashion magazines (Elle says 95 percent of its copies are for their grandmothers to run up back home, suggesting that the Several customers admitted that they were just looking for idea: Frydova (Prague's answer to CNN's Elsa Klensch) buys clothes two women designers, offers long dresses patterned in murky fin de-siècle colors. That is where Nova's lifestyle presenter Zand: design. In the Old Town district, Modes Robes, the boutique o Alphonse Mucha, Prague has been known for striking graphic What of the home-grown fashion industry? Since the time o

returned to Prague since job prospects have opened up with TV and film crews descending on Castle Square. "I like to wear a sexy dress and high heels," said Market: Novakova, a 23-year-old model, who has worked in Paris, but ha:

from Bally, bought from the boutique in Wenceslas Square. Martina Kloudova wore a knitted dress from Kookai and On the streets of Prague, a jeans and sneakers generation hangs out with the jazz bands on Charles Bridge. In Avalon, a hit restaurant with a motor bike as part of its decor, the hostess

"The Czech people in our industry like to live like Western "The Czech people," said Dana Berova, a 30-year-old economic adviser whn was looking for a lipstick to match her eggplant-colored coat "The development has been very fast, but I am afraid from this moment changes will not be so visible,"

have had no place to go and be pampered," said corporate lawye and business consultant Nina Gardner, who has lived in Prague There is an incredible network of American women and we

community. (There are 40,000 Americans in Prague). The crowd fingering the lipsticks and surveying the treatmen rooms included both the rising professionals and the internationa

Ronald Lauder believes that by the year 2000 an expanded sensational. People forget the hunger to get fine quality goods." Olga Havel, the wife of the Czech president; Marketa Novakova being made up by Cyrille Bonnard. Carole, her sainer Ronald, company chairman, and sister sane; Helen Gurley Brown launching Cosmopolitan; Clockwise from top left, the Lauder family in Prague: President Leonard Lauder, niece Aerin, her mother so

decade's view,"

Lauder is more cautious.

"I just love this part of the world; this is where our great-miniature fragrances at 280 crowns (510), a gilded purse at 56 and grandparents come from," he says. "I think business is going to be a lipstick pin at 53.

Nouveau cafés are fast being turned into discos. of this city of Kalka and coffee houses, even if Kalka's head is found along with Beavis and Butthead on T-shirts and Art Prague as a 16-year-old student, does not hide the emotional pull came back to her roots. But Ronald Lauder, who first came to Estee Lauder herself, now in her 90s, was too fragile to make the

family, can change the whole aspirational culture of the city." went to the two most famous streets. In Prague, one person, one Lauder bring to Eastern Europe. In Warsaw and Budapest we you can't underestimate the long-term value companies like Estee ny president. "As pure business it is not a brilliant venture, but

"I am a lipstick imperialist," says Leonard Lauder, the compacompanies like Elizabeth Arden, Dior and Lancome. Czech women may yearn for consumer goods, but can they pay for them? The arrival of Estee Lauder follows other cosmetic

he's first commercial station.

Jewish kindergarten, and financing Nova TV, the Czech Repub-

to concentrate on the spirit inside," said Mrs. Havel, who is president of a charitable health care foundation. It is good to think about appearances, but it is also important worrying about hemlines is disturbing to the Czech president's The change in five years from waiting on the breadline to

ate symbol for women aspiring to replace communism with glitz) The current issue profiles Ivana Trump, the most visible expain-(and launches in Poland this week) boasts a circulation of 40.000. Elle magazine, which has been in the Czech republic since April

iscrain Prague that include restoring synagogues and funding a

to Airstria under President Ronald Reagan, has investment pro-

skin deep. The chairman, Ronald S. Lauder, who was ambassador

The presence of Olga Havel at the store opening and the ribbon-cutting ceremony by the American ambassador, Adrian Basora, showed that the Estee Lauder involvement in the city is more than

I don't know quite whether women from smaller towns are ready

"My dream is 150,000 copies a month," said Brown. "Although version of Cosmo with a no-surprises cover line inquiring if

The following day, Helen Gurley Brown launched a Carch company hopes its creams and cosmetics will put a new face on

— the cosmetics queen whose faither was Czech — opened a store in the city, restoring the facade of a historic building, much as the This is Prague's fashion spring, Last Wednesday, Estee Lauder a sign that things are improving for women since the revolution."

face as still as a carved baroque angel. A red-brown up pencil is tracing her cherubic mouth. "I like it," she said, inspecting the work of a makeup expert. "And this store is RAGUE — Sixteen-year-old Olina Capkova holds her

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By Suzy Menkes

Prague's Fashion Spring: Cosmo and the Cosmetic Revolution

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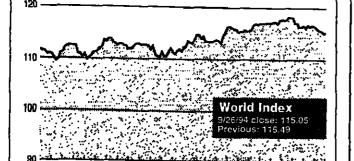
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Finance	115.11	115.48	-0.32	Consumer Goods	103,00	103.17	-0.16
Services	120.38	120.95	-0.47	Miscellaneous	133,98	134.18	-0.15

### Xerox Tries to Duplicate Success Copying Giant to Redefine Its Image in Computer Age

By Sandra Sugawara Washington Past Service

WASHINGTON - Remember the mimeograph machine? Executives at Xerox Corp. do, and they want to ensure that history does not repeat itself.

The mimeograph machine was a vital

piece of equipment in many offices. Then along came the Xerox plain-paper copier, a far better technology. The mimcograph disappeared, along with the machines that produced wet and smelly

copies on oily, coated paper.

Xerox recognizes that its copiers, once the pride of every well-run office, may now be headed for tough times as well. With many documents being stored electronically in computers, making a copy increasingly means hitting a printout button, instead of strolling over to the copier to "Xerox" it.

Paul Allaire, the chairman of Xerox,

says there will always be a need for copiers. But he conceded that in most companies, electronic files will overtake file cabinets bulging with paper. So Mr. Allaire is overseeing a massive effort to transform Xerox into a company that can prosper in the 21st century.

In recent months, those efforts have included introduction of a glitzy new digi-tal printing system that Xerox said was aimed at an emerging \$93 billion "print-ing-on-demand" market, adoption of a new logo with a digitized X, and an advertising campaign that could total \$8 million this fall to herald the "new Xerox."

Xcrox already can point to some early

successes. Its new digital printers have won raves from consultants. Joel Wecksell, vice president of Gartner Group, a Stamford, California, research firm, called Xerox's digital printers "intellectually compelling" and "thrilling compared to everything else that's out there." Digital products already account for about 20

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percent of Xerox revenue, which totaled \$17 billion in 1993.

But for Xerox, the hard work of reinventing the company lies ahead. Its digi-tal-printing products face formidable competitors, such as International Busi-ness Machines Corp., Eastman Kodak Co. and Hewlett-Packard Co. As it pushes into the digital world, Xerox will face the industry giant Microsoft Corp. and a host of smaller software compa-

Xerox hopes it will have an advantage in this competition because of its brand name, its reputation for quality and service, and its decision to make its products compatible with major office equip-ment and software. But it enters this battle preoccupied by an internal struggle for the soul of Xerox, analysts and industry executives said.

The main battle is between the socalled "toner heads" — as those who came from the copier side of Xerox are known - and the company's computer nerds, over how aggressively Xerox should plunge into the document man-agement software business. Even within each group, there are struggles between competing interests as the company

searches for a new center of gravity.

Few companies are as well-situated to try to reinvent themselves as Xerox. It is, after all, the company that proved it was possible to win back market share from Japanese competitors by improving quality and cutting costs.

But the track record of established companies such as Xerox in trying to develop substantial business in other areas is "generally rotten," said Tom Peters, a business consultant.

Mr. Peters points to Xerox's history. He said that over the past two decades, Xerox has done it all: made major acquisitions to diversify, poured money into a wide range of research, hired top-notch executives and talked about new visions for the company, but "it is still basically a copier company," he said.

Some analysts contend the big copier business has been like a giant ball and chain around Xerox's neck, keeping it from jumping on new technologies. A classic example was its failure to capital-

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### Rising Sales Lead Peugeot To Profit

Compiled by Our Staff From Dispatches

PARIS - PSA Peugeot Citroën SA said Monday it swung back to profit in the first half of the year because of improved productivity and better sales of new models in key markets.

The French company, the No. 2 European carmaker, reported a first-half net profit of 688 million French francs (\$130 million), compared with a loss of 1.12 billion francs a year earlier. The profit was in line with

midsized, year-old, Peugeot 306 and Citroen Xantia models.

The company in July reported a 15 percent rise in first-half sales, to 83.8 billion francs. The company linked its in-

crease in sales to two new vehicle lines - the launches of the Peugeot Boxer and Citroën Jumper, which extended the group's range of commercial vehicles, while the Peugeot 806 and Citroen Evasion gives it a presence in the growing multipurpose vehicle market, it said.

Much of the sales increase was analysts' expectations and was also due to government incenaided by strong sales of the tives in France and Spain for pany would maintain its im-

consumers to trade in cars 10 vears old or more for a new car. First-half car sales in France and Spain rose 15 percent and 19 percent, respectively.

Thanks to strict cost controls, which included a reduced work force and lower stocks, Peugeot Citroën posted an operating profit of 2.45 billion francs against a loss of 1.25 billion francs in the first-half of 1993.

The first-half results are for us a source of real satisfaction," said the Yann Delabrière, the chief financial officer.

Mr. Delabrière said the com-

pean car market may be slowing. "We expect a slight slowdown in the second half," Mr. Delabrière said.

The company predictedEuropean car sales would rise about nesses up for sale. Those units 4 percent this year from a year ago, although sales during the ill-fated attempt at diversificafirst eight months of the year are up 6 percent. Even with a 4 percent improvement, that would still imply a drop of 11 percent from 1992, Mr. Delabrière said, given the 15 percent drop in the market last year. (Reuters, Bloomberg)

### Reckitt to Pay \$1.55 Billion For Kodak Unit

Kodak Co., which has been purging its nonphotographic businesses, agreed Monday to sell its household products unit to Reckitt & Colman PLC for \$1.55 billion.

The subsidiary, part of Kodak's L&F Products unit, includes such familiar brands as Lysol cleaner, Mop and Glo floor polish, Resolve carpet cleaner and Wei Ones moist towelettes.

The purchase, which is conditional, will be financed by a combination of bank borrowings and a £400 million (\$253 million) three-stage disposals program that involves Reckitt's selling Colman's mustard and other British food brands. Reckitt, itself a major house-

hold products company in the United States and Britain, produces Easy Off oven cleaner, French's mustard, Woolite clothes detergent and Air Wick air fresheners.

Some analysts said they would downgrade their forecasts for Reckitt's earnings next year as a result of the purchase, but others said they saw no reason to do so, as the company said it expects no negative earnings effect in 1995.

Some said Reckitt might face regulatory problems, particuprovement during the second larly with regard to a possible half, but warned that the Euro-monopolistic position in the monopolistic position in the U.S. carpet-products market.

The sale is part of a reorganization Kodak announced in May, when it put its health care and consumer products busiwere acquired in the 1980s in an tion that has left the company plagued with debt and several years of weak profits.

As a result, Kodak is refocus-

ing on its main businesses of photography and electronic im-

NEW YORK - Eastman goal of total dedication and resource commitment to our core imaging businesses," said Kodak's chairman, George M.C. Fisher.

Reckitt closed at 557 pence Monday on the London exchange, down 40 pence, while Kodak closed unchanged, at \$52.625, in New York.

(AP, AFX, AFP)

### Stock Markets In Europe Sag On Rate Fears

Compiled by Our Staff From Dispatches LONDON - European

stock and bond markets suffered losses on Monday on fears interest rates would rise.

Although many analysts think the Federal Reserve Board's Open Market Committee, which meets Tuesday, will leave U.S. rates unchanged, lingering doubts kept many investors on the sidelines.

The Financial Times-Stock Exchange 100-share index closed nearly 1 percent lower, at 2,999.8 points, compared with 3,028.2 on Friday. Comments by Kenneth Ciarke, the chancellor of the Exchequer, that he could not rule out an increase in Brit-ish rates added pressure to the British market.

The Paris Bourse suffered an even bigger loss on the first day of the October trading account, on ideas that rising American rates could drive French longterm interest rates higher. The CAC-40 index closed

down 1.3 percent from Friday. Germany's DAX lost nearly percent at 2.068.67 on uncertainties about the outcome of aging.

This transaction takes us (AFP, Reuters, Knight-Ridder) the federal elections Oct. 16.

### Thinking Ahead /Commentary

### Germany Wants a Core Hard to Crack

By Reginald Dale

nal Herald Tribune EW YORK - Political leaders in France and Germany are being disingenuous in repudiating a "hard core" Europe in order to still the protests of their partners. It is what Germany wants and it is not going to go away.

The notion, floated in Bonn and Paris this month, is that a limited group of European Union countries should advance faster than others to economic and monetary union.

Economists, less tactful than politicians, are much readier to acknowledge the "hard core" already exists and may actually be a good thing. In its hardest form, the core is composed of the closeknit economies of Germany, France and the Benelux countries, whose monetary policies are all run by the Bundesbank. That realistic assessment came

through loud and clear at a meeting in New York last week of the Reinventing Bretton Woods Committee, an international group campaigning for stable exchange rates. Those at the meeting were unanimous

about two things: that Europe would have to move at different speeds to economic and monetary union or risk never getting there; and that pressure for monetary integration is again rising. Now that the European Monetary Sys-

tem has ridden out the currency crises of 1992 and 1993 - albeit by loosening the bonds among exchange rates - and economic recovery is under way, "the drive to European monetary union is regaining

momentum," as a conference paper put it. In the words of David Roche, President of Independent Strategy Ltd. of London: The entire political elite, not only in France and Germany, but in the Benelux states, Iberia, Ireland and elsewhere still regards EMU as a necessary step."

That is not always well appreciated in the English-speaking world, where infor-mation about EMU is often filtered

Many people inside the hard core do not actually want the laggards to join.

through a prism of Anglo-Saxon cynicism. But it should be obvious that monetary union is not going to happen soon, if at all, if it has to wait until all 12 current EU members are ready. While most North European economies are converging the Southern economies are still way out of line, and Britain and Denmark may opt out altogether.

Again more honestly than the politicians, economists at the conference pointed out that many people inside the hard core do not actually want the laggards to join them - despite the politicians' protests that no one is being excluded.

As Jürgen von Hagen of University of Mannheim reported, "A core group of

central banks — Belgium, Germany, Lux-embourg, the Netherlands and, since the mid-1980s, France - have built reputations as central banks committed to price stability." They will be reluctant to "give up their brand names" and consort closely with "low-reputation central banks,"

Germany's immediate interest is in a limited union of disciplined, low-inflation countries, which would not place too big a strain on EU resources. Bundesbank officials, in fact, see the potential new EU members — Austria and the Nordic countries — as more desirable partners than the existing Mediterranean members Italy, Spain, Portugal and Greece.

The point was well illustrated in a report by Jorge Braga de Macedo of Lisbon's Universidade Nova, which suggested that Austria, Norway and Finland could join the hard core relatively quickly.

As well as being richer, potential Norway and Finland are also much closer to meeting the EU's official criteria for economic and monetary union than the Mediterranean members. In the North, only Sweden is badly out of kilter.

A hard core would also be easier to sell to the German public than a broader "A limited union would allay popular fears that EMU means something akin to abolishing the mighty Deutsche mark and adopting esperanto money," Mr. Roche said.

Whatever the politicians may say, it is pointless trying to pretend that monetary union will come on anything other than

Yen

### Leaks Dilute Shares of Channel Tunnel

By Richard W. Stevenson

New York Times Service LONDON - The Channel Tunnel is leaking, and as usual it is the investors in the project who are getting soaked.

Shares in Eurotunnel, the company that operates the 50-kilometer (31-mile) undersea link between Britain and France, plunged Monday after weekend news reports that water was seeping into the tunnel and not draining properly. After falling nearly 10 percent early in the day, Eurotunnel units - representing one share in each of the French and British divisions of the company - partially recovered but still closed in London at a record low of 250 pence, down 19 pence, or 7 percent, for

Eurotunnel, which is planning to begin regular passenger services in November and is already running a freight service, said the water problem was extremely mi-nor and would not create operating or safety problems. The amount of water in the tunnel, Eurotunnel said, was along of lines of "puddles, not floods."

The tunnel is bored through rock hundreds of feet below the seabed, and any water coming in from the outside comes from naturally occurring deposits in the rock, the company said, not the English Channel above it. The tunnel is designed to allow a certain amount of seepage to keep outside pressure from building up, the company said, and some of the water may also have come from the cooling system, from rainwater running off trains passing through the tunnel or from cleaning operations.

But even if concern about the leakages was largely a product of the British press's penchant for seizing on the project's every problem, it quickly became a new public relations nightmare for the company, which has seen the project through a long series of delays, cost overruns and refinancings.

For investors, it was just the latest bit of bad news for a stock that has taken a pounding through much of its eight-year history, particularly over the last year. The

shares, which trade in London and Paris, sold for 300 pence per unit in London at the initial public offering in 1986, and traded close to 1,000 pence three years later.

The units traded as high as 654 pence earlier this year in London but have slid precipitously. Monday's closing price was lower than the 265 pence at which additional units were sold to investors in a \$1.2 billion rights offering in July.

Eurotunnel has been losing credibility with investors for some time.

The project's final cost of around \$15 billion was twice the original budget. Promises that the company would pay a dividend by next year have given way to projections that dividends would commence in 2004. The traffic and fare assumptions that underlie the company's forecast of reaching profitability in 2002 are viewed with skepti-

cism among many analysts. Freight service - special trains designed to carry trucks - has been running through

### A New Push In U.S.-Japan Trade Talks

By Andrew Poliack New York Times Service
TOKYO — With a deadline

looming Friday in trade talks with the United States, Japan's trade minister will leave for Washington on Tuesday in a last-ditch effort to avert sanctions from being invoked against his country.

Ryntaro Hashimoto, minister of international trade and industry, is expected to meet Mickey Kantor, the U.S. trade representative, and probably Commerce Secretary Ronald H. Brown, officials here said. Mr. Hashimoto and Mr. Kantor spoke by telephone in the morning.
Mr. Hashimoto's ministry is

in charge of talks on automobiles and glass, two of the four sectors now being negotiated under the so-called framework agreement signed in July 1993. Officials in both nations say

that agreements in those two sectors, especially automobiles, were unlikely by Friday because the two sides are so far apart. It seems likely therefore that Mr. Hashimoto's visit is aimed not at reaching an agreement but perhaps at moving close enough to persuade Washington not to impose sanctions in those areas. If there is no agreement on Japan's government procure-ment of telecommunications and medical equipment, U.S. sanctions will almost certainly be applied.

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#### REPORTS 36 % INCREASE IN NET INCOME

In the first six months of 1994, the LVMH Group recorded net sales of FF 12 billion, an increase of 19.6 ?

over the comparable 1993 period. Group income from operations, amounting to FF 2,645 million, rose by 30.5 %, reflecting the increase in sales, improved profitability in all the Group's segments of activities and favorable exchange rates, notably

Net income, totaling FF 4,751 million, includes the capital gain recorded on the occasion of Guinness's acquisition of a 34 % interest in Moët Hennessy.

Excluding unusual items, net income rose by 36 % to FF 1,271 million in the first half of the year.

In FF millions	Sa	iles	Income from operations			
	1993	1994	1993	1994		
Champagne and Wines	1,802	1,920	86	118		
Cognac and Spirits	2,554	2,854	781	912		
<ul> <li>Luggage and Leather Goods</li> </ul>	2,434	3,188	968	1,395		
Perfumes and Beauty Products	2.858	3,088	326	352		
on a comparable structural basis	2,444	2,922	275	327		
<ul> <li>Other activities</li> <li>including holding company expenses</li> </ul>	387	951	*(134)	*(132)		
LVMH	10,035	12,001	2,027	2,645		

In the Champagne and Wines segment, the recovery in income from operations stems from the rise in

sales and the initial impact of lower grape prices and production costs. In Cognac and Spirits, a rebound in japanese sales following price adjustements implemented in March. as well as lower caux-de-vie prices, are the main reasons behind the improvement in income from

In luggage and Leather Goods, the strong rise in sales - particularly of "Corr Epi" and "Taïga" - and tight control over operating expenses resulted in a 44 % increase in income from operations.

In the Perfumes and Beauty Products segment, the increase in sales - 20 % on a comparable structural basis - reflets successful recent product launches, bolstered by significant advertising and promotional Guinness's contribution to LVMH's net income rose by 10 %, primarily reflecting its improved results.

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### **Blue Chips Rise Despite Rate Fear**

U.S. stocks edged higher Mon- on the Big Board, down from day as optimism grew that the 297.58 shares on Friday. Federal Reserve Board's policy-

#### **U.S. Stocks**

slide last week when the index fell 104.97 points, or 2.61 percent, its biggest weekly loss since June, which occurred largely due to speculation that the Fed might raise rates.

Many analysis do not expect the Fed to raise rates until after the Nov. 8 congressional elections. "Waiting less than two weeks makes available to the Fed the September and early October information on employment and inflation, which will be extremely important in gauging the economy's direction," said Raymond Urban, a strategist for Duff & Phelps.

Although the Dow was up, four stocks fell for every three Stock Exchange. Trading was up based on takeover rumors."

moderate, with about 270.82 NEW YORK - Blue-chip million shares changing hands

Semiconductor stocks paced setting panel would opt notto drop after CS First Boston raise interest rates on Tuesday. Corp. cut its investment ratings
The Dow Jones industrial avof Texas Instruments and Mierage rose 17.49 points to close, cron Technology amid concern at 3,849.24. The rise snapped a that increased Asian production of memory chips will swell global supply and hurt pricing for some of the companies'

> Micron Technology, the most active U.S. stock, tumbled 21/8 to 36, Texas Instruments, the sixth most active, fell 3% to 684, and Intel eased % to 62%.

Mercantile Stores Co. plunged 16 1/8 to 39 after talks with a potential acquirer broke off. Shares of May Department Stores, the rumored buyer, rose 1/2 to 39.

Arbor National Holdings tumbled 4% to 15% in the wake of an acquisition offer from BankAmerica Corp. that valued the mortgage company at about \$118 million. An Arbor spokesman said the purchase price was below the prior trading price that rose on the New York because the shares "got traded

### Mark Trips on Election, Yen on Trade Hopes

NEW YORK — The dollar Kohl's coalition. "The spark berose against the yen and the hind the dollar's rise came first Deutsche mark on Monday. It from the Bavarian result," said gained against the Japanese Tim Fox of Credit Suisse. currency as traders bet positive news would come out of this from 1.5488 DM on Friday. week's trade talks between the United States and Japan, while the mark was undermined by election jitters in Germany.

Hopes for a last-minute solution to the trade impasse prompted traders to sell yen they had bought in recent weeks. "People find it hard to

#### Foreign Exchange

believe the U.S. and Japan won't iron something out on trade and present some sort of conciliatory agreement," Henry Wilkes of Bank Julius Baer said.

The dollar rose to 98.75 yen from 97.83 yen on Friday. Germany is to hold a federal election on Oct. 16 and uncer- more attractive and would typi-

main in power has prompted investors to sell marks. Bavaria on Sunday raised con- when rates go up.

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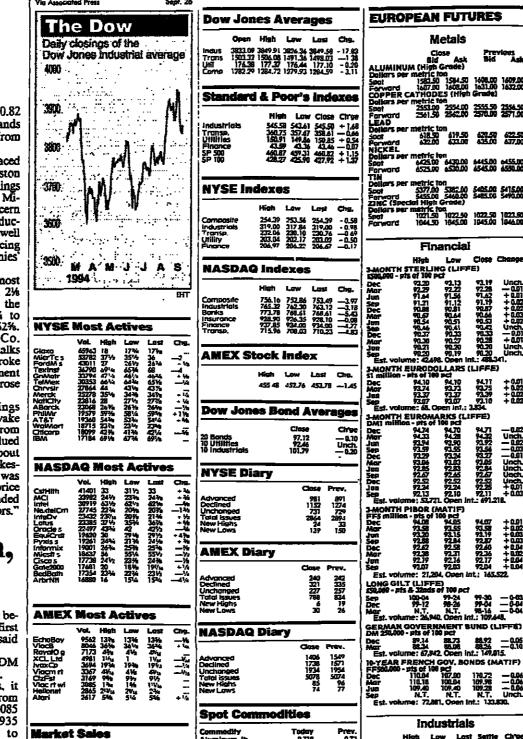
The dollar rose to 1.5536 DM Against other currencies, it rose to 1.2871 Swiss francs from 1.2865 francs and to 5.3085 French francs from 5.2935 francs. The pound fell to \$1.5720 from \$1.5770.

Analysts said the dollar was also nudged higher as traders guarded against the possibility of a rise in U.S. interest rates after a meeting Tuesday of the serve Board.

Opinions were split on whether the Fed committee would announce a rate rise after Tuesday's meeting.

make dollar deposits relatively helm. that foreign investors would

(Bloomberg, Reuters)



### policy-setting Open Market Committee of the Federal Re- McDonnell Douglas Puts an Outsider in Charge

Compiled by Our Staff From Dispatches

ST. LOUIS - For the first time in the history of McDonnell Douglas Corp., nei-Increased U.S. rates would ther a McDonnell nor a Douglas is at the

The defense-aerospace giant announced tainty over whether Chancellor cally boost the currency. But Monday that Harry C. Stonecipher, chair-Helmut Kohl's coalition will rethose benefits have been overman of Sundstrand Corp., has taken over shadowed this year by concern as president and chief executive officer. He takes over the CEO spot from John

The results of an election in dump U.S. stocks and bonds F. McDonnell, who will remain as chairman, focusing on long-term strategies.

Mr. Stonecipher, 58, had been with

Sundstrand, an Illinois-based maker of aerospace and industrial components. since 1987, becoming chairman and CEO in 1991. Previously, he worked at General

Electric Co. for 26 years. Mr. McDonnell, 56, is the son of the founder of McDonnell Aircraft Co., James McDonnell. During the son's tenure, the nation's No. 1 defense contractor fought with the Pentagon over a \$1.6 billion cost overrun and delays in the C-17 military transport program. It also saw its share of the world market for commercial jetliners.

which it once led, fall to a distant third

place. The company laid off tens of thousands of employees as the Cold War ended and recession dried up demand for its passenger jets. An attempt to raise capital by selling off a piece of the commercial jet business to a Taiwanese start-up failed.

Mr. Stonecipher said he would concentrate initially on the C-17 and the commercial aircraft business.

(AP, Bloomberg, Knight-Ridder)

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the next three years, Coca-Cola said Monday. the next three years, Coca-Cola said Monday.

The money will bring Coca-Cola's total investment in Russian about \$240 million. The investment aims to develop soft disk capacity in key population centers across Russia. It involves a said million expansion to double production at Coca-Cola's Moscow facility and \$40 million to develop soft drink operations across facility and \$40 million to develop soft drink operations.

southern and eastern Russia.

The bottling companies, the Leventis Group and EFES, plan to invest a total of \$30 million in Russia during the next three years.

### NBC Suitors Said to Be Losing Arder

NEW YORK (NYT) — The talks between the General Steeling Co. and Walt Disney Co. about Disney's possible purchase of NBC have cooled, according to people with knowledge of the

The stumbling block seemed to be Disney's desire to buy all of a NBC — the network, the seven local television stations and its interests in cable television. General Electric has apparently decided that it would prefer to continue owning a majority of

NBC, making only 49 percent available to suitors. ITT Corp.'s negotiations about NBC's future also do not appear to be going smoothly. An executive close to ITT said that the company had lost interest in buying NBC, but a company spokesman would not comment.

### Barnett to Acquire EquiCredit Corp.

JACKSONVILLE, Florida (Bloomberg) — Barnett Banks Inc. a said Monday it signed a definitive agreement to acquire EquiCre. dit Corp., a consumer finance company, for \$332 million in cash or \$32 a share. EquiCredit, operates 89 offices in 29 U.S. states. The company

originated \$602 million in loans in 1993 and has the right to service \$1.5 billion in loans. In February, Barnett agreed to buy Loan America Financial

Corp. for about \$62 million in cash. Loan America buys more a gages and has the right to service about \$4 billion in mortgage loans. Barnett services about \$13 billion in loans a year.

### SEC Report on Fund Manager Abuse

WASHINGTON (Bloomberg) — The Securities and Exchange Commission said Monday it would release a report on Tuesday outlining abuses by fund managers who put their personal invest-

ments ahead of those of their shareholders.

People familiar with the study said it would find that some fund managers do indeed trade actively for their own accounts before they make trades in the same securities for the funds they manage. Arthur Levitt, chairman of the SEC, said in a recent speech that the practice, known as front-running was "very far from being a standard practice."

Industry officials said the report would probably add to recommendations made by the Investment Company Institute last May that said fund companies should adopt a series of steps to limit trading by fund managers for their own accounts.

#### For the Record

BankAmerica Corp. said would acquire Arbor National Hold: & ings Inc., a mortgage company, in a stock swap valued at about \$118 million. Under the agreement, each share of Arbor National ... will be exchanged for \$16.35-worth of BankAmerica stock.

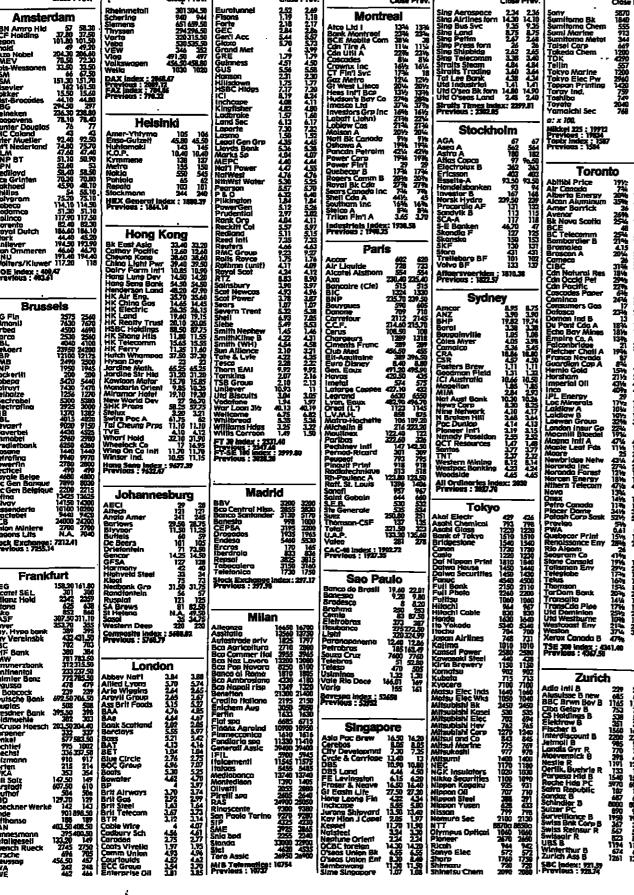
(Bloomberg) The National Association of Realtors said that sales of existing homes fell 1.8 percent in August.

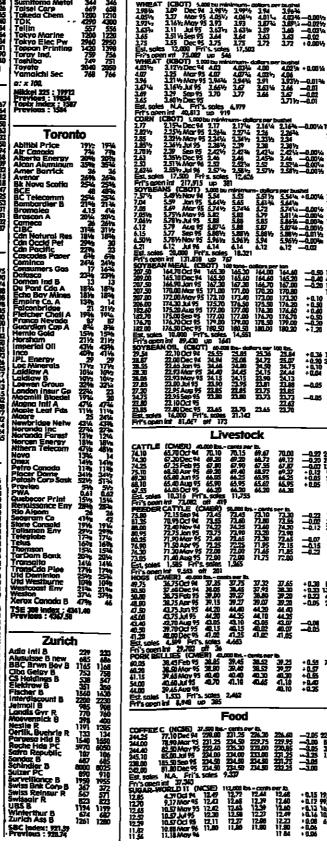
### **Weekend Box Office**

LOS ANGELES - "Timecop" dominated the U.S. bex office with a gross of \$8.2 million over the weekend. Following are the Top 10 moneymakers, based on Friday ticket sales and estimated

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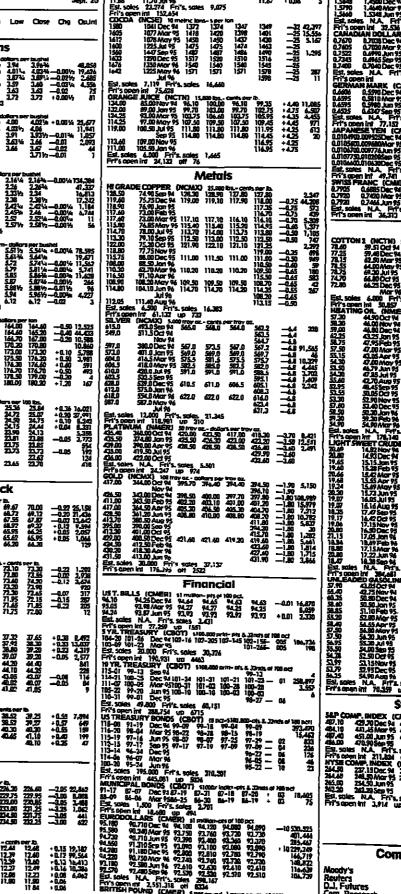
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### Société Générale Buys 20% Stake In French Firm

Compiled by Our Staff From Dispatches
DDIISSELS — Société Gér BRUSSELS - Société Générale de Belgique SA said it was investing 4.5 billion Belgian francs (\$141.6 million) to take a 20 percent stake in Coficem. a French technology and telecommunications company.

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Société Générale, the biggest company in Belgium, also said its net earnings in the first half had risen 54 percent, to 6.73 billion Belgian francs, largely due to sales of shares in other the holding company the holding company 1.63 billion francs, up from 698

million francs a year ago.
The sale of 18 percent of the metals company Union Minière SA, 44 percent of the construction company CBR Cimenter-tes SA and 2.7 percent of Cie. de Suez have netted more than 30 billion Belgian francs over the past 12 months, making Société Générale one of Europe's most

The strong results helped make it possible for Societé Générale to purchase the stake in Coficem, which in turn has a 53.3 percent stake in the French company Sagem, or Societé Applications Générales d'Electricité et de Mécanique.

Gerard Mestrallet, executive officer of Société Générale, said Coficem and Sagem hold property rights in applied technologies in telecommunications and electronics sectors with high growth potential.

Société Générale said that earnings for the full year of 1994 were expected to be higher than the 8.68 billion francs carned last year.

Sales in the first half totaled 70.04 billion francs, down from 91.87 billion francs the year earlier. The drop was mainly due to sales of subsidiaries.

(Reuters, Bloomberg, AFP)

# Fund Manager the France Fixes Lyonnais Deal

PARIS - Crédit Lyonnais, the French bank that was forced to delay releasing financial results while it sought urgent state cash to cover unexpected bad loan provisions, has reached a financial accord with the government.

First-half results, scheduled for release last Thursday but delayed while emergency talks were held with the government on covering the bank's losses, are to be announced Tuesday, the bank

Crédit Lyonnais received 4.9 billion French francs (\$925.7 million) of emergency funding from the state just six months ago after it made French banking history by posting a 1993 loss of 6.9 billion francs. That was combined with a decision to move 43 billion francs in problem loans into a separate company.

Crédit Lyonnais and the French Finance Ministry refused on Monday to provide details of their talks.

The bank, which is on the government's list of companies to be sold to the public, has not denied press reports that put its firsthalf loss at more than 4 billion francs.

### Rosy Outlook for Ireland Improved Economy a Boon for Market

By Richard W. Stevenson New York Times Service

LONDON — For most people, Ireland holds many pleasures, from the lush green landscape to the head on a fresh pint of Guinness stout. But for investors, Ireland has always been a bit of a wasteland.

That may be changing, Ireland, once viewed as an economic disaster area, has remade itself in recent years into one of Europe's most vibrant economies.

While most of the rest of Europe languished in recession last year and struggled to recover this year, Ireland's gross domestic product grew 4 percent and is expected to grow nearly 6 percent this year. Next year's growth could be even higher. More remarkably, Ireland seems to have pulled off this feat while keeping inflation low and bringing a

massive budget deficit under control. Additionally, wwhile direct economic effects from the prospects of peace in Northern Ireland are far off, if they materialize at all, an end to the violence could spur foreign investment or at least let the republic's underlying

strengths show through to investors. "There's a great economic story in Ireland." said Richard Davidson, a strategist at Morgan Stanley & Co. in London. "It's got one of the strongest growth rates in Europe. It's got extremely low inflation. It's a country where debt levels are actually falling. So you've got a great economic background, and the market background is one of undervaluation."

Ireland's equity market is small by world standards, with a capitalization of about \$15 billion. But stock prices, in the view of many analysts, have not caught up with the country's new economic strength. In Dublin, the ISEQ Overall index stood at 1,835.83 Monday, up more than 8 percent from its low for the year, in July, of 1,694.14. The high for the year of 2,082.16 was reached in January.

Mr. Davidson said the Irish market was trading at 10.3 times projected 1994 earnings and at 9.1 times projected 1995 earnings. The price-to-earnings ratio on the London exchange, by contrast, is 14.9 times 1994 earnings and 12.9 times 1995 earnings, he said.

The Irish stock market is at one of the lowest multiples of any European market, and there's reasonable earnings growth," he said. "We expect that the market can rise by 15 percent over the next 12 months," Mr. David-

son said. "International investor interest in

Ireland has increased dramatically over the

last decade, but the market still remains slightly undervalued in our view, particularly in the bank sector."

Irish financial markets have always been seen by investors as taking their cues directly from the British markets. But now, with clear differences emerging between the British and Irish economies and the economic strategies of the two governments, that link may be breaking down.

Most importantly, London has been decidedly unenthusiastic about European Union plans for monetary union, and has all but ruled out moving toward a single currency.

But Dublin has gone all out to meet the strict financial targets set by the EU as precursors for merging currencies and monetary policies, and

#### 'There's a great economic story in Ireland.

Richard Davidson, a strategist at Morgan Stanley & Co.

it has succeeded to a greater degree than most of its partners. It is close to the targets for inflation, budget deficit and bond yields, al-though it is still out of the required ranges for total debt and for currency stability.

Ireland still has problems. Its unemploy ment rate, at 15 percent, is chronically high, even by European standards. It is relatively poor, with output per capita running at 65.6 percent of the EU average over the last four years, according to the London investment advisory firm Independent Strategy.

Just last week, Irish Steel, once one of the nation's top employers, gave up a long fight for survival, joining other Irish companies that have fallen to worldwide competition.

But even with those problems, Ireland seems destined to take a more prominent position within the European Union.

"Ireland is a surprise," said Bob McKee, an analyst at Independent Strategy. "Its finances are under control. Economic recovery is picking up. It will probably make it to the Germanic core of a two-speed Europe."

Analysts said that many of Ireland's biggest and best-known companies look like

### 2 Nordic **Companies** In Concert With BT

Bloomberg Business News

LONDON - Tele Danmark A/S and Telecom Finland said Monday they would join an alliance originally formed by British Telecommunications PLC and MCI Communications Corp. to provide global communications services to multinational companies.

Tele Danmark should help the BT-MCI alliance, which is called Concert, challenge some of the emerging global partner-ships, including Unisource and Eunetcom, on their home turf, analysts said.

BT and Tele Danmark will develop products for Sweden, the companies said. The national Swedish, Swiss and Dutch telephone operators comprise

Unisource. Norwegian Telecom has been selling services for the venture since April.

Analysts said the fortified alliance will probably take on northern Germany as well, cutting into Eunetcom's territory. Eunetcom is a venture of France Telecom, Deutsche Te-

lekom and Sprint Corp. AT&T Corp., has established WorldPartners, a loose collaboration of companies worldwide, to offer voice, data, and video services.

#### ■ Spain Sets Cellular Price

Spain will charge a minimum 50 billion pesetas (\$390 million) for the license to operate a digital mobile phone system to compete with state-supported phone monopoly Telefónica de Espana, Elena Salgado, Secretary General of Telecommunications, said.

She added that the license. for which five groups of compa-

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#### Very briefly:

 Adam Opel AG, a unit of General Motors Corp., is being investigated by the state prosecutor of Darmstadt to determine whether five Opel workers accepted free construction work for themselves in return for awarding building orders for the company. • Germany posted a surplus of 1 billion Deutsche marks (\$647 million) in its balance of payments in July, according to provisional figures, down from 4.4 billion DM in June.

• Newspaper Publishing PLC, publisher of the Independent, had a loss of £12.6 million (\$20 million) in the first half of 1994 as a result of restructuring and a fierce price war, according to Editoriale La Repubblica SpA, its Italian shareholder.

CarnaudMetalbox SA, the French packaging company, said it called off its agreement to merge its cosmetics packaging activities with those of Wheaton Inc. of the United States.

 Spain's Treasury, reluctant to pay high interest rates on government bonds, turned to 34 commercial banks, led by Chemical Bank, for a line of credit totaling 6 billion European Currency Units (\$7 billion).

• Olivetti SpA will offer Italians an interactive on-line computer information service in the middle of October and plans to launch a similar service in Britain later this year.

• Energis Communications Ltd. said it would charge 10 percent to 15 percent less than British Telecommunications PLC for most of nies are bidding, would be its telephone services. Savings could be as high as 40 percent for granted by the end of the year. some services, it said.

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### Portable IBM Unit Would Hear and Obey

By Mitchell Martin rnational Herald Tribune

PARIS - IBM is developing a portable computing device - or personal digital assistant - that can understand spoken commands, an executive said Monday.

The device, which could compete with Apple Computer Inc.'s Newton, would be useful for such things as executing securities orders, dictating letters and assisting doctors. There are no voice-recognizing person-

al digital assistants on the market now. International Business Machines Corp. has a prototype device based on its Power-PC processing chip, said Martin C. Clague, general manager of worldwide client/server computing. He said it recognized 80,000 words with 96 percent accuracy.

Personal digital assistants are hand-held

computers that organize information, tak-

ing the place of handwritten notes and often linking with computing networks. But the devices have so far failed to gain much of a market, despite high hopes by their makers. The Newton, for example, has not been widely accepted. In July, AT&T Corp. end-

vere designed to recognize handwriting.
In 1993, according to the market-research company Dataquest Inc., 476.000 penbased digital assistants were sold worldwide, and an additional 1.1 million devices that use keyboards were purchased. Prices for these units are typically less than \$700. Apple's former chairman, John Sculley. has estimated an annual world market for

digital assistants of up to \$3.5 trillion, and

EO had predicted that 100 million person-

voice-recognition aspect of its devices to ov-research was done at Xerox's ercome the problems that others have expe- Palo Alto Research Center. rienced with pen-based units. He refused to say when the product might come to mared its backing of EO Inc., which closed after ket, but he did say IBM wanted to get its having sold fewer than 10,000 devices cost-reliability past 99 percent, which would be Xerox is leaner and nimbler, ing from \$1,500 to \$3,000 each. Both devices needed for such applications as medicine. said Peter van Cuylenburg, ex-Jeffrey Goldberg, a Dataquest analyst in

Britain, was cautious about the marketability of such devices. "There is a real reason for doing that, and it is a good idea," he said. "You would have a hands-free PDA utives said that after some false and that is something that is demanded by starts, the company has found a users in certain circumstances." He added. however, that while the technology exists to create them, units would have to cost less than about £300 (\$474), but he estimated it would now cost about £800 to make them.

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### COPY: Xerox Tries to Redefine Its Image to Fit in With the Computer Age

al communicators would be sold by 2000, ize on the personal computer, Mr. Clague said IBM counted on the even though much of the basic

Xerox said those missteps oc-

curred years ago, and that it has learned from them. These days ecutive vice president of opera-Most important, Xerox exec-

strategy that makes sense. "We're really focused on being the document company." Mr. Allaire said.

Documents, as Xerox defines

charts, graphs, photos, financial

For years, Xerox copiers were the best at handling all of those things on paper. Now, the digital revolution is putting those things into computers. That in turn is snawning a whole new industry that can help manage these byte-sized documents.

Over the next few years, companies are expected to spend billions of dollars to buy products that can create electronic documents, store them, find them, get them to the right people and keep them away from

that conveys information: let- es on nearly every facet of the ble with \( \text{\conv} \) s system. ters, memos, reports, invoices, information-technology business and thus has many potential entrants.

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them, include almost anything others. It is a market that touch make their technology compati-Four months later, Xerox un-

veiled a new corporate logo: THE DOCUMENT COMPA-NY-Xerox. The company said Earlier this year, Xerox's the logo underscores "the new marketing machine revved into Xerox."

These marketing moves have corporation to the front of the drawn attention to Xerox. But pack. In April, Xerox intro- in a way, they have also made Xerox's product offerings mainly digital printers - seem

Xerox had no intention of being just a printer company. "We've got nine divisions, all focusing Xerox also announced that on various parts [of docu-50 companies, including AT&T ments.] What you see with Xe-Corp., Novell Inc. and Sun Mi-rox is a breadth of capability," crosystems Inc., had agreed to he said.

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### South Korea Budgets 16% **Spending Rise**

SEOUL - The South Korean cabinet approved a state budget on Monday that will raise government spending by 16 percent and includes large increases in defense, public

works and farm subsidies. A highlight of the 1995 budget is a rise of nearly 40 percent in farm subsidies to cushion farmers and fishermen against the opening of South Korea's mar-kets under the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade.

The 1995 budget will total 50.14 trillion won (\$62.5 billion) compared with 43.25 trillion won for 1994, the Economic Planning Board said.

Defense spending, which accounts for almost a quarter of the total budget, is due to rise 9.9 percent, to 11.57 trillion won, reflecting South Korea's preoccupation with war threats from North Korea.

"The economy is expected to grow by between 7 and 8 per-cent in 1995," an official from the planning board said. "Demand for budget spending will be much higher."

Spending on public works --roads, subways, dams, ports and a high-speed telecommunications network -- will rise 21.9 percent, to 6.77 trillion won.

Private-sector economists said the budget rise appeared low in view of soaring demand for infrastructure investment.

"Pressure for more spending, including infrastructure invest-lyst with Lucky Securities Co.

year," said Yun Young Mok of

the Daewoo Research Institute. The draft budget does not foresee an income-tax rate increase. The government expects to finance the increased spending from duties on consumer goods, restraints on wage increases, and improved tax col-

Officials said that after a series of balanced or deficit budgets, the 1995 draft is the first with a surplus, estimated at 700

"A surplus budget now will allow the government to adopt deficit budgets more easily in the future," a budget planner said, looking ahead to the possibility of Korean unification and

its likely costs. (AP, Reuters) ■ Stocks Hit Record High South Korean stocks closed at a record Monday, as a strong

economic outlook encouraged investors to buy shares in medium-sized manufacturers, Bloomberg Business News reported. The composite index rose 7.71 points, to 1,045.12, while advancing issues outnumbered declining ones by a 3-to-1

"With the economy growing at a healthy 8 percent, investors have shifted their attention from overvalued top-level manufacturers to undervalued second-tier manufacturers," said Hwang Chang Joong, an ana-

### Ford Hits Curbs on Road to Japan **Executive Says Dealers Form Invisible Trade Barrier**

By Paul Blustein Washington Past Service

TOKYO - Konen Suzuki, president of Ford Motor Co. (Japan), ought to be crowing over his company's recent success at penetrating the Japanese market.

Ford's Japanese operation posted a 130 percent sales increase for the first eight months of 1994, while sales declined in the overall Japanese auto market.

Yet Mr. Suzuki sounds like an ag-Yet Mr. Suzuki sounds tike an aggrieved U.S. trade negotiator. "These numbers are still negligible," he said of Ford's sales, which have accounted for about one-third of 1 percent of the total Japanese market in 1994. Gaining access to Japan's auto dealership system, he and "takes 10 times more effort than it said, "takes 10 times more effort than it does in the United States."

Mr. Suzuki's success and frustration are a microcosm of the U.S.-Japanese conflict over trade, which is reaching a critical stage as a Sept. 30 deadline looms for President Bill Clinton to decide whether to impose sanctions against Japan for alleged "unfair" trading practices.

Although companies such as Ford are on the upswing here, that does not mean trade tensions are about to evaporate. Tokyo maintains its market is plainly becoming more receptive to foreign goods, while Washington sees plenty of barriers left to knock down.

Fords are hardly the only imported product faring well in recent months. Chrysler Corp.'s Japanese operation has also registered triple-digit sales gains this year. Despite the lingering recession, Japan's imports of manufactured goods rose 15.7 percent in the first half, spurred by a strong yen.

But U.S. officials and business executives rejected Japanese claims that such data negates much of Washington's case against Tokyo.

Few people enjoy such a unique perspective on the debate as Mr. Suzuki, a rare example of an auto executive with experience selling imports in the U.S. and Japanese markets,

After receiving a degree in literature from Tokyo University, Mr. Suzuki, 56, worked for Toyota Motor Corp. for 30 years. While working in Toyota's U.S. operation in the 1970s, he was credited with popularizing the Corolla model.

He stunned tradition-bound Toyota by joining Ford in 1991. Now he derides the Japanese industry for "doing the

Although companies such as Ford are on the upswing here, that does not mean trade tensions are about to evaporate.

same things the Americans did with their tail fins" by producing overengineered, gimmick-laden cars.

He is positioning Ford as by far the most aggressive importer among the U.S. Big Three, launching a splashy ad cam-paign this year and setting a goal of selling 100,000 cars annually by the end of the decade: roughly seven times the

current level. To Japanese officials, the recent success of Ford and other U.S. automakers here proves that sales of U.S. cars will take off only after Detroit begins offering prod-

ucts Japanese consumers want.
"It's an indication of the openness of the Japanese market, and also the importance of the efforts made by U.S. automakers," said Masakazu Toyoda, director of the Americas division of the Ministry

of International Trade and Industry. Until 1993, Mr. Toyoda said, Chrysler did not sell vehicles with the steering wheel on the right side to conform with the Japanese practice of driving on the left side of the road. Ford only began

doing so this year, with the U.S.-made Probe and the European-made Mondeo. In addition, Mr. Toyoda said, Chrysler and Ford have recently begun marketing less costly cars.

Mr. Suzuki shares the view of the U.S. government: the Japanese auto market remains riddled with "invisible" barriers typical of Japan's keiretsu, or corporate families. Although tariffs on imported cars are nonexistent and many regulations have been eased, he contends Ford's ability to sell cars is limited by the tight links dealers maintain with big automakers such as Toyota and Nissan Motor Co.

These ties are not legally binding — indeed, the Japanese auto industry has expressly stated that dealers can sell any cars they wish — but the dealers often feel beholden to the automakers because of financial and managerial help they have received over the years.

There is a ray of hope. This year, Mr. Suzuki persuaded some Nissan dealers to convert four of their outlets to Ford, and he expects to sign up a couple of Toyota dealers by year's end.

For the longer term, he is looking to expand Ford's network from 290 outlets to as many as 1,000. He is counting on the fact that many Japanese dealers are losing money and need popular vehicles to be profitable once again.

Perhaps U.S. automakers should just let market forces naturally create dealership opportunities as their products improve? That is what the Japanese side contends. The U.S. side, however, argues that Tokyo should set targets for increasing the number of dealers selling imported cars, using government prodding to loosen the bonds between manufacturers and dealers: a step the Japanese ada-mantly reject as "managed trade."

"If there hadn't been any government pressure over the past year, we probably wouldn't have gotten any dealers," Mr.

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#### Very briefly:

• Malaysia posted a trade deficit of \$320 million in the first six months of this year, compared with a \$1 billion surplus in the corresponding period last year, the statistics department said.

Nynex Corp. has acquired a 25 percent stake in Telecom Holdings Co., a Philippine telecommunications company. reportedly for \$9.8 million, to take advantage of the deregulated tele-coms industry in the Philippines.

 San Miguel Brewery HK Ltd., the 64 percent-owned Hong Kong unit of the Philippine food company, said it would pay stockholders a special dividend of 3 Hong Kong dollars (39 cents) a share, lower than expected. The company posted a 95 percent increase in profit for the first eight months, to 33.9 million dollars, on rising

 Ajinomoto Co., a Japanese food company that holds 19.8 percent of Orsan SA, a food-additive maker, expanded its stake in the French company's operations for 8 billion ven (\$80 million).

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### French Miner Privatizes via Australia

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The venture will have net assets of 450 million Australian diversified portfolio of mining operations in Europe, Africa and South America and access

to Bureau de Recherches' extensive exploration portfolio.

Bureau de Recherches will be split into two companies: La-Source Cie Minière SAS, holding industrial-minerals and basecompany, announced Monday a metal assets, and Cie Minière International Or SA, or Mine Or SA, which will own gold assets.

The venture brings together the Normandy group, whose Po- own 40 percent of Mine Or and

lia's largest gold producer.

Analysts said the deal was a partial privatization of Bureau

Normandy will pay 118 million dollars for a 60 percent stake in LaSource, while Buthe experience of the French 40 percent. Normandy's gold dollars (\$332 million), with a company, formed 35 years ago arm, PosGold, will spend 130 to bring together all the French million dollars for a 37 percent government's mining assets, and stake in Mine Or, LaSource will

seidon Gold Ltd. arm is Austra- Bureau de Recherches will have a 23 percent stake.

Bureau de Recherches will also pay 104 million dollars for a 9 percent stake in Normandy, which will issue it 47.2 million new shares. The issue will dilute the present 19.9 percent stake held by Minorco SA, the overreau de Recherches will retain seas arm of Anglo-American Corp. of South Africa.

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# **SPORTS**

### ${\it Capriati's Tale: The Wild\ Times and New Hopes\ of a\ Tennis\ Dropout}$

By Robin Finn

RANCHO MIRAGE, California - The desert sun is on the rise and already packing a punch only a lizard could love, and it would be 99 degrees in the shade if there were any, so it's small wonder that the outdoor hard courts at the Mission Hills tennis complex are deserted, all except for one.

On its simmering surface, a teenager with a rakish purple glaze in her ponytail and a hard-working wad of green gum in her mouth is whacking tennis balls knew but a person nobody understood. across the net as fast as her male sparring partner can deliver them.

The tear in her graffiti-print shorts is self-inflicted her eyes are not tears of unhappiness from feeling victimized by everyone within staring distance. This is just plain sweat after a rigorous practice session.

The tecnager happens to be that infamous tennis and 12th-grade dropout, Jennifer Capriati, lately an hard knocks and two strange stints in rehabilitative own version of the lost weekend.

[acilities, where addiction and psychosis were daily linstead, she's back on the tennis court, the not-sofacilities, where addiction and psychosis were daily subjects on the blackboards.

recreational mecca in the California desert, prospecting for a new start after a bad time. Last week, Capriati broke her yearlong vow of silence regarding

the public's need to know her private ups and downs. She waxed cautiously optimistic after a year of waning internally. The torment, as she refers to it, is over. She hasn't solved her problems, but she has elected to survive them.

"I was always expected to be at the top, and if I didn't win, to me that meant I was a loser," she said last week. "The way I felt about myself had to do with how I played, and if I played terrible I'd say, last week. "The way I felt about myself had to do with how I played, and if I played terrible I'd say, yes, I can handle it, but really I couldn't; I felt like no one liked me as a person. I felt like my parents and everybody else thought that tennis was the way

who was behind my tennis life."

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When Capriati couldn't make peace between the girl in the mirror and the player who had been assigned a starring role as "the next Chris Evert." she tried to rid herself of the latter identity. Being a

teenager, it seemed logical to go to extremes to do it.
"I was depressed and sad and lonely and guilty," she said of her dismay at being the player everybody

"I felt I'd give up all the material things to be with someone who would love me for me," said Capriati, who gave up her marketability and credibility in the tennis shorts as fashion victim — but the tears under course of the six-month walk on the wild side that landed her here on the rebound.

Yes, the Betty Ford Clinic is just around the corner. But no, Capriati isn't going there for therapy after a year of entropy that began with a destabiliz-ing loss at the 1993 U.S. Open and culminated in her alumnus of Florida's police blotter, the school of arrest in May on a marijuana charge following her

objects on the blackboards.

innocuous launching pad that made her a celebrity six weeks ago, she and her family relocated to this at 13, broke her at 17, but now seems an integral ally as she picks up the pieces of a life that had, in her prematurely jaundiced vision, turned pointless, friendless and hopeless.

"I was pretty close to being not in existence," said Capriati, speaking at length, albeit uneasily, about the most difficult year of her life.

"I'm not an addict to drugs, but you could say I'm an addict to my own pain. Or I was," she said. "I had this sarcasm about everything. My spirit was just, like, dark."

to make it in life, they thought it was good, but I thought no one knew or wanted to know the person who was behind my tennis life."

"I burned out — I'll say it," Capriati announces with a grimace that shows she's aware of the chorus goes deeper than that one match. I really was not who was behind my tennis life."

"Totally, mentally, I just lost it, and obviously it goes deeper than that one match. I really was not capriati, whose paranoia was not unfounded. More considered by tebloid photograof "I told you so's" the revelation will inspire in the armchair psychologists and cynics who have waited for her to take a fall ever since she turned pro - and

multimillionaire — as a toothy, giggly 13-year-old. In 1993, less than four years after the Women's Tennis Council bent its age eligibility rules to allow

happened in my career, except that maybe 14 is too young to handle everything emotionally. But I know I don't want to leave tennis the way I did, crying and crawling away.'

'I don't regret anything that

this box-office smash early entry to their novelty-starved circuit, Capriati left it and purposely left no word when or if she would be back.

Had a groin strain not intervened. Capriati would definitely be in Zurich next week at the European Indoor Championships. But to return to the circuit the same way she left it, in pain, seems unwise: Capriati hopes to play every aspect of the game more wisely her second time around.

"I don't regret anything that happened in my career, except that maybe 14 is too young to handle everything emotionally," she said. "But I know I don't want to leave tennis the way I did, crying and crawling away." Capriati, who had residual nightmares after losing her 1991 Open semifinal to Monica Seles, cried

incessantly after losing her 1993 first-rounder. "I started out O. K., but at the end of the match I couldn't wait to get off the court," she recalled.

happy with myself, my tennis, my life, my parents. my coaches, my friends."

"I spent a week in bed in darkness after that, just hating everything," she added. "When I looked in my mirror, I actually saw this distorted image: I was so ugly and so fat. I just wanted to kill myself, really." So she proceeded to kill her public self. She turned

her back on tennis and all it entailed. She withdrew from her family, first emotionally, then physically, and moved into her own apartment last November. Her anonymity was short-lived once she was cited

for shoplifting on Dec. 10. Though a juvenile at the time, Capriati's celebrity status seemed to outweigh her legal right to confidentiality; her case wound up being dismissed, but not before a worldwide blitz from the media, most of which presumed her guilty, sent her even deeper into her shell.

"I thought, 'Am I that big that they have to make such a big deal out of this?" she said. "And I see now that once you're considered a celebrity, you kind of have no rights to privacy. After that I kind of forgot about everything and everyone except for my brother; all I cared about was having my music and partying with friends."

For several months, she refused to touch a racket, but last winter, even after the party circuit had become her only circuit, she was bored and started hitting balls on the sly.

But then came another setback. Her parents, worried about her mental state, plucked her from her apartment and signed her into the Manors, a private psychiatric facility in Tarpon Springs, Florida, for a two-week evaluation in February. Capriati emerged resentful, and when she turned 18 in March, she left her family's Saddlebrook home for Boca Raton, a move across Florida that initially

received her parents' blessing.

"I was trying to get better, get happier, but I felt to my story yet."

than once she was ambushed by tabloid photographers hiding in the bushes and stalking her high school in surburban Tampa. Florida. In Boca Raton, she moved in with friends who attended the local university, and her father found her a tutor for her

Again, she started playing tennis recreationally and remembered that she "loved it, loved the game." Capriati's arrest occurred on May 16 inside a seedy Coral Gables motel room where she was bankrolling a party attended by an assortment of teenage revellers she later described as "acquaintances, not real friends."

What they had in common was a complete lack of interest in Capriati, the tennis player; her generosity with her car and wallet were enough to award her a high ranking in their pecking order.

What the police, who made two felony arrests and released two others without charging them, found in Capriati's backpack was just enough marijuana to charge her with misdemeanor possession and snap a mug shot that turned up on TV screens around the globe. Her sponsors dumped her, she went into a 28day treatment program at Mount Sinai Medical

Now, wild cards are available at whatever event she deems to enter. Her father, Stefano, is happily ensconced on the practice court. Tennis seems ready

ensconced on the practice court. Tentus seems ready to welcome Capriati back, and she seems ready to attempt a return, albeit on slightly different terms. "It's just a game to me now; I'm playing because it's inside me, I have this desire to play and a talent to play, and I don't want to waste my talent," she said. "I don't care about being No. I, but I'm ready and willing to give a battle, and that's what sports is all shout. Who cares about and analysements and all all about. Who cares about endorsements and all that stuff? Just give me a racket. There's no ending

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A Hiroshima resident biking past a poster for the Asian Games, which begin Sunday.

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### Surprise Drug Tests For Chinese Runners

BELIING - International athletics officials surprised China's women runners with unannounced drug tests on Monday.

Coach Ma Junren took the unexpected screening in stride, saying during the procedure in a Beijing hotel room that his star runners' performances were enhanced only by arduous training and a nutritious diet.

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"The use of performance enhancing drugs is immoral," Ma said. "Those who do so will be scrapped by sports history. Attaining improvement in athletics can only rely on science and technology and proper, goal-oriented training."

A showman who feeds turtles' blood to his runners and finances the team with a secret-formula sports elixir. Ma asked the world champions Wang Junxia and Qu Yunxia to strip to their underwear to display the delicacy of their bodies — citing this as proof that neither was on steroids.

Ma said Wang, world champion in the 10,000 meters, and Qu, world 3,000-meter champion, would travel to Japan next week for the Asian Games in Hiroshima, along with Zhang Linli, Zhang Lirong, Liu Li and four other teammates. He said he knew of no plans by China to boycott the Asian

Games in a dispute over Japan's granting of a visa to a senior Taiwan political official.

Ma predicted that Wang would win the 10,000 meters and Qu the 1,500 and 800 meters and that Chinese women would take gold and silver in most events. But he did not predict

Ma's five stars were all tested on Monday with less than four hours' notice, although China's State Sports Commission knew on Friday that some athletes would be tested. All had run 24 kilometers at dawn and none had eaten before the test. Goran Svedsater, the International Amateur Athletic Fedcration official who collected their urine for analysis in Oslo,

said the surprise check was part of a world crackdown involving random testing outside major meetings. "We started this program of off-competition testing in 1989 and it's been accelerated in the last two years," he said. "We're testing only the best — the top world performers."

Svedsater said similar surprise tests on the runners trained by Ma and other top Chinese athletes in January and March found no doping violations.

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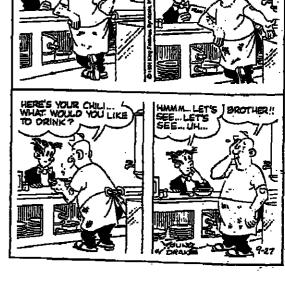


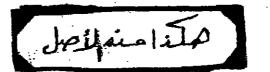
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## Dropout **SPORTS**

### Fixing Baseball: 2 Macro Options

Mess Is Bigger Than the Salary Cap

By Peter Passell New York Times Service

NEW YORK — With baseball junkies suffering from World Series withdrawal, Congress is in a mood to make the club owners share their pain. At the very least, there will be a concerted effort in coming weeks to strip the owners of their antitrust protection, which in turn would eliminate their right to cap salaries without the players' consent.

But some wonder whether it is time to think bigger - to reorganize major league baseball in a way that puts the fans' interests first. And economists are happy to rush in where tradition-bound commentators fear to tread.

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PLAYING THE NCAA WAY: Major league baseball is confined to 28 cities (when it is being played at all). Why not 38 or 48? Because the owners of the existing franchises make the decisions, and have every reason to believe that expansion does not pay: local revenues from increasing league size would not offset the dilution of national television rights. Indeed, the \$90 million franchise fee charged to the latest applicants was explicitly intended to compensate for the bite

into of broadcast revenues. That arrangement suits George Daly, dean of the Stern School of Business at New York University, who thinks the owners' interest in keeping baseball small coincides with the

public interest. In an era of television, he suggests, fans can as easily grow attached to teams whose stadiums are 1,000 miles (1,600 kilometers) away as those 100 miles away.

"For all I know," he said, "baseball is too big" in the sense that fewer clubs playing with the best athletes could generate

as much pleasure for the public. But that is not how Roger Noll, an economist at Stanford University and consultant to the players association, sees it.

The logic of free markets puts the burden on those who would restrict entry to an industry.

AND IN Noll's view, the most practical way to let the market decide how many teams play in the majors would be to break baseball into a half-dozen smaller (perhaps regional) leagues and let them negotiate playoffs for a nation-

Weakening the leagues would reduce the financial barriers to starting yet more leagues or reorganizing existing ones. Baseball, Noll hopes, would then evolve into a system similar to college basketball, with teams operating with lower costs in dozens of smaller markets.

The catch, argues Gerald Scully, an economist at the University of Texas at Dallas, is that fans would trade quality for quantity." After all, he notes, "you can't replicate 500 Barry Bonds."

But he does concede the attraction of the Noll vision. Baseball would, in a sense, return to its roots, with much lower salaries, more dependence on local fan loyalty and

stronger intercity rivalries. And the likely dilution in the quality of play might paradoxically increase interest in the game.

The best of college basketball and football are no less exciting than their pro counterparts, at least in part because ordinary mortals are occasionally inspired to play beyond

THE EUROPEAN OPTION: Remodeling the professional game after the NCAA may seem a bridge too far for University of South Florida, offers an alternative that seems far less disruptive, though no less revolutionary in impact.

In Europe, he notes, professional soccer clubs compete in several divisions, much the way baseball is divided into the major and minor leagues. There is one gigantic difference, though: Whole teams, rather than players, switch leagues when they excel or fail. Specifically, an A division team must trade places with the best of the B division when it finishes at the bottom of its division standings.

Think of the implications: First and foremost, baseballcrazed cities would no longer be at the mercy of club owners. If the professional team in, say, Tampa invested enough in players and management, it would probably get a crack at joining the big leagues.

Only slightly less important, incompetent or cynical owners would no longer be secure.

"Only the best-managed teams could stay at the top," Porter said.

Major league baseball would thus become a truly national game, one in which any city able to support the costs of a big league team would have a crack at it. By the same token, though, there would be no tendency to dilute player quality. And even the fans of teams that could not aspire to major league performance would be better off since they would catch the excitement of competition with other minor league

clubs still on the way up.

Is any of this possible? Not if Washington leaves it to professional baseball to clean up its own mess. But if the fans - and thus Congress - are angry enough, the legal leverage is there to reshape the game.

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### For the Fallen World Champ, This Belt Is a Steal

PARIS — "I'm here to report a robbery."

"Name please, last name first." "Lewis, Lennox Lewis, Maybe you've heard of me."

"Can't say that I have, Mr. Lewis. Occupation?" "I'm the heavyweight champion of

the world." "Been at this job how long?"

"Actually, I stopped being heavyweight champion Thomsen of the world lan Sunday

around 2 o'clock. That's what I'm here about, to file a complaint. I was totally

robbed." "'Unemployed,' then."
"No, no, don't put that. Put: 'Rising challenger, down but not out, back on

his feet and the world better watch

"'Between jobs.'" "Sure, write that. While you're at it, write the name of the thief who robbed me. King. Don King. I'll spell it for vou: K-I-N...

"One belt ... "Not one belt, I'm talking about the belt. He's made a career out of stealing

"You'd think he'd do better hotwiring cars." "This isn't a belt you wear to match

your shoes and keep your pants up. Picture a belt as wide as a cummerbund, loaded with all kinds of exoticlooking jewels. That's the World Boxing Council heavyweight championship belt. You don't wear this belt - you own it. You rub it and it becomes Aladdin's lamp for you. I

bet I've made something like \$30 mil-

lion off that belt. I fought my way up

proper - I earned that belt, I owned that belt and I'm not about to let Don King off and steal it."

"So you insist on filing a report." "Damn right." When and how did you gain possession of said belt?"

"I found it in a trash bin."

to fight me but he was too scared, I short appearance for the British pub-stopped and I wasn't going to get a trash and I claimed it."

"Must bring a tear to your eye." "I was the first British heavyweight

champion of this century." "That's quite a feat for someone who doesn't sound British."

"I was Canadian when I won the gold medal in the 1988 Olympics, and then I was training in the States a lot of

"I'm afraid I must ask to see your papers. "What are you on about? I was born

in East London, spent my first 12 years there. I came back because Britain needed a champion. I've made a good name for myself here." "Forgive me for having wasted the

taxpayers' money on minor questions of immigration, while belts are being stolen left and right." "Here's how it was this weekend. I

signed on for a nice little fight against an American, to help build up my "Just rummaging, were we?"

name over there and put me in position
"No, we weren't just rummaging. At for the big payday when Mike Tyson as well have been Don King himself.

at 1:30 A.M. in London in order to dip our beaks with the American TV audience. So who does Don King send over beaten a champion yourself." to fight me but some thug he's worked up to a frenzy named Oliver McCall. What kind of respect is that to show to

come back up Don King's run off with

"He is in possession of it now?" America. He's wanted this belt ever since Buster Douglas won it off of yson in a knockout four years ago. Within hours of that fight, King was working with the WBC to try to steal the title back from Douglas. He's a promoter, sure, but the whole world knows he has the WBC in his pocket. He couldn't steal it from Buster but now he's stolen it from me. That was a

"Property first, Mr. Lewis. Please describe all items reported as missing."

The was the No. 1 challenger to gets out of jail. There wasn't supposed the time I was the No. 1 challenger to gets out of jail. There wasn't supposed around, that was it — the fight was to fight me but he was too scared. I short appearance for the British pubstopped and I wasn't going to get a guess, so he threw the WBC best in the lic, and at the same time start the fight champion's opportunity to fight

"But you admitted to never having

"That's the beauty of boxing. There are no champions, not really, so long as Tyson's in jail. That belt was my the heavyweight champion of the franchise for when the big money world? So I missed with a right, thug came. Now King is going to hold a lands me a lucky punch on the jaw, I go monopoly on Tyson's first fight for the down for a few seconds and when I've title. I know people are saying it's my own fault, I had a lousy trainer, I never worked to improve my game. They don't understand the business I'm in "He has access to it somewhere in Now what do I do? My multi-fight TV deals are all shot to hell, I've got my biography in the bookstores without a

world title to back it up." "I can tell you it's not worth filing a report in this case, but I can offer you two possibilities. You can retire with your winnings."

"I'm only 29." "In that case, I suggest you take the advice of our prime minister: back to

ham's 3-yard run with 7:25 to

Moon had his best game since joining the Vikings (3-1). He completed 26 of 37 passes for 326 yards, including three

Browns 21, Colts 14: In Indi-

anapolis, Vinny Testaverde, the

lowest-rated quarterback in the AFC, threw for three touchdowns, including a 57-yarder to Eric Metcalf and a 65-yarder to

The Browns (3-1) led 14-7 at

TD passes to Cris Carter.

play.

### Chargers Edge Raiders, 26-24, Extending Record of Perfection

Four weeks into the NFL season, the San Diego Chargers are the league's biggest surprise -and its best team.

With a 26-24 victory over the Los Angeles Raiders on Sunthe Chargers are off to their best start since 1980, the year they finished 11-5 and

#### **NFL ROUNDUP**

went to the American Football Conference championship game. The only time San Diego has started better than 4-0 was way back in 1961, when it won its first 11 games as part of the American Football League.

But the Chargers aren't putting any pressure on themselves, or looking to silence doubters.

"In this league, I take it one day at a time," said Coach Bobby Ross. "That's all I can do and that's all I will do."

The Chargers remained one of only two unbeaten teams the other is the Giants (3-0) partly through the determination of the quarterback Stan

Humphries. Even after throwing an inter-ception that the Raiders (1-3) returned for the lead and hurting his knee on the play, Humphries wasn't done. Against the coaches' wishes, he limped back onto the field and led the Chargers on a 65-yard drive, capped by John Carney's 33-yard field goal with

two seconds left. Humphries acknowledged afterward that his knee was sore. "I felt it pop, but I tried to walk it off," he said. "I purposely stayed away from the trainers to try and take care of it myself. gave up the TD to put them ahead, so there was no way I

was staying out."

Bears 19, Jets 7: In East Rutherford, New Jersey, Lewis Tillman scored two touchdowns and gained 96 yards on 32 carries for Chicago (2-2). Not even a team-record 90-

yard run by Johnny Johnson could help the Jets (2-2), who lost two fumbles, missed two field goals and saw Quarterback Boomer Esiason sidelined with a sprained ankle after being sacked in the third quarter.

49ers 24, Saints 13: In San Francisco, Deion Sanders made his first start for the 49ers (3-1)



San Francisco's Deion Sanders lunging for a pass intended for Torrance Small of the Saints. Sanders, making his first start for the 49ers, missed the interception but returned another one 74 yards for a touchdown to secure a 24-13 victory.

yards for a touchdown with 32 der in the season opener. seconds left to kill a potential winning drive by the Saints.

line, was sacked five times but team. managed two touchdown passes to Jerry Rice.

New Orleans (1-3) led 13-10 at halftime, turning a botched punt into a touchdown drive and a Young interception into a

Seahawks 30, Steelers 13: In Seattle, Pittsburgh's Neil O'Donnell was intercepted four times, three times in the final

Chris Warren rushed for 126 yards and a touchdown for Seattle (3-1), outperforming Pittsburgh's Barry Foster, who got 96 yards on 21 carries. The Steelers (2-2) lost despite a 452-297 advantage in total yards.

Oilers 20, Beneals 13: In Houston, Gary Brown scored two touchdowns for the Oilers (1-3). But the offense continued to struggle, even though Cody Carlson was back at quarter-

and returned an interception 74 back after separating his shoul- quarter, and Myron Guyton in- tana's 15-year career had

David Klingler was sacked the two-minute warning. seven times and threw three in-Steve Young, playing behind terceptions as the Bengals redowns of 35 an an injury-decimated offensive mained the NFL's only winless the Lions (2-2). terceptions as the Bengals re- downs of 35 and 39 yards for Patriots 23, Lions 17: In Pon-

tiac, Michigan, Drew Bledsoe Herald Tribune: completed 21 of 33 passes for Rams 16, Chie 251 yards and one touchdown. City, Missouri, the Chiefs (3-1) and the Patriots (2-2) benefited from two late interceptions.

Maurice Hurst picked off Rams blanked them. Scott Mitchell late in the third

Rams 16, Chiefs 0: In Kansas

were shut out at home for the first time since 1985, when the Never before in Joe Mon-

tercepted him again just before

Barry Sanders ran for touch-

In earlier games, reported

Monday in some editions of the

team been shut out, but Montana had a touch of flu. He threw three interceptions and was 18-of-37 for 175 yards. Jerome Bettis had his third straight 100-yard game, getting

132 yards on 35 carries for the Rams (2-2). Vikings 38, Dolphins 35: In Minneapolis, Minnesota blew a 28-point lead, allowing Miami (3-1) to tie it before Warren

Moon led a 70-yard scoring

halftime after Metcalf's second TD reception, a 15-yarder. Indianapolis (1-3) tied the game on a 13-yard TD catch by Roosevelt Potts in the third quarter, but the Browns needed only

Leroy Hoard.

two plays for the go-ahead score early in the final period. Falcons 27, Redskins 20: In Washington, the Falcons capitalized on two interceptions and a fumble by Quarterback

John Friesz to score 20 straight points in the second half. Rookie Heath Shuler led Washington (1-3) to a touch-down in the fourth quarter, but

his last-ditch bomb was picked off with one second left and Atlanta (2-2) won for the first time

Packers 30, Buccaneers 3: In Green Bay, Wisconsin, Brett Favre was 30 of 39 for 306 yards and three TDs and Chris Jacke kicked three field goals for Green Bay (2-2). The Bucs fell

Michael Husted's 24-yard field goal in the third quarter made it 16-3, but Favre threw TD passes of 20 yards to Ed West and 3 yards to Sterling drive, capped by Scottie Gra- Sharpe to finish the scoring.

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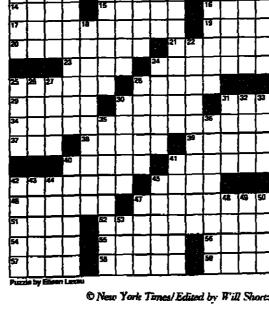
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This is how it goes. Every so often the United States decides to show everyone that it supports democratic forms of government even if they aren't exactly what we had in mind.

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The president dispatches an ex-President to make sure that the message is loud and clear.
"General, I speak on behalf of the president of the United

States. We want you to relinquish power immediately and get out of the country so that your legally elected president can take over the palace."

"I can't leave now. My wife is having a cocktail party for the first families of our nation."

### ART BUCHWALD

Let's Make a Deal WASHINGTON — The two questions that the the first place? How about you

American people have at this and the other two generals leavtime are: "Does the United ing next week?"
States have a foreign policy?"
"That's impossible. We're all

scheduled to go on the Today Show next Thursday." Well, how about some time

this month?" "It would be very inconve-nient because we had plans to beat up all the opposition poli-ticians with baseball bats this month. Hunting them down is not going to be easy."

"General, you have a lovely wife and she is very beautiful. I personally lust in my heart for beautiful women. But this doesn't mean that we can permit you to continue doing all the bad deeds you have been noted for in the past. I must insist that you resign before Thanksgiving or at the latest Christmas."

"Does this mean that I have to give up my country chalet, my yacht and my private

"We didn't say that. You can

remain in the country and drive your Maserati around any place that you want to."
"I think that President Clinton owes all the military an apology. He has accused us of terrible human rights' viola-

tions. We have feelings, too." "I'll talk to him as soon as l get a chance. I find you a very reasonable person, surrounded by some of the most attractive omen I've seen in all my years of peace negotiating. I will return to the United States and report that you are a man of honor and will keep your word and resign by the first of the

"Thank you, Mr. President. If you'll excuse me, I have some

mopping up to do."
"Are you going to continue to mop up civilians?"
"I have no choice since you promised me amnesty.

The Great Lakes through New England will have chilly weather late this week. Heavy rains will move away from the Canadian Manimes

# Verne's Bleak but Uncanny Vision of 20th Century

By William Drozdiak Washington Post Service

DARIS - The year was 1863, and Jules Verne decided to take a break from writing popular adventure tales to try his hand at

He peered a century into the future and saw the streets of Paris jammed with automobiles. He also envisioned mass transit systems, the electric chair, even the fax machine. Yet his glimpse of the modern world was bleak and morose, depicting a society run by bureaucrats and philistines who trample classical culture in their frenzied pursuit of money, technology and power.

Verne's publisher, Pierre-Jules Hetzel, took

His society is run by

bureaucrats who trample

classical culture in their

frenzied pursuit of money.

one look at "Paris in the 20th Century" and advised the 35-year-old author to scrap it. "You took on an impossible task, and you did not pull it off. Nobody will ever believe your proph-

Dutifully, Verne turned his attention

which he excelled. He went on to write more than 60 novels, including such classics as "Around the World in 80 Days" and "20,000 Leagues Under the Sea," conjuring with his fertile imagination such marvels as moon travel and submarine explorations. But he never bothered to resurrect his futuristic novel about the heroic poet Michel, who becomes a homeless vagabond after a fruitless odyssey in search

of an enlightened society.

The unpublished novel was consigned to a one-ton safe by Verne's son Michel, and historians assumed it was destroyed during World War II. When Verne's great-grandson Jean put the family house in Toulon up for sale in 1989, he did not know what to do with the heavy strongbox. "No one wanted it. Everyone thought it was empty and useless. It was locked and the key had been lost," he told the Paris daily infomatin.

Nonetheless, Jean Verne summoned a locksmith who took nearly three hours to force open the safe. Inside, they discovered several letters, a notebook and a dusty manuscript bearing Verne's neat penmanship and Hetzel's damning comments on the margin. The text was quickly verified by Verne specialists; after a long bidding war, Hachette/Le Cherche Midi published the novel last week under Verne's

original title - 131 years after it was written. The mystery opus offers astonishing testimo-

ny to Verne's uncanny prescience about the evolution of science and technology in the modern world. And while Verne's portrait of Paris in 1963 may not have been entirely accurate, it was close enough to put the lie to his publisher's criticism.

A quarter century before the advent of the automobile. Verne describes in detail how Paris became choked with traffic jams. "Of the innumerable vehicles that wound their way along the boulevards, the vast number operated without horses. An invisible force with a gaspowered motor made them move. It was simple and easy to handle. The driver, sitting on a seat, used a steering wheel and a pedal at his feet to change the speed of the vehicle instantly."

He wrote of an elevated mass transit system powered by compressed air and running automatically along tracks. similar to monorails now in service, that would ferry a thousand passengers every 10 minutes. He also mentions a 150-

meter (500-foot) lightback to concorting the fantastic adventures at which he excelled. He went on to write more in the area where the Eiffel Tower was later

> Verne predicted, much to his own horror, the creation of the electric chair that subsequently was invented in the United States 25 years later. "What a sinister sight!" he wrote. "Singing workers were already building the [executioner's] platform. Michel wanted to avoid the site, but he bumped into an open crate. As he stood up, he saw an electric generator. And he understood. People were no longer being beheaded. They were being electrocuted. It came closer to divine retribution."

He even imagined the fax and the telephone becoming everyday communication tools. "Photo-telegraphy allowed any writing, signature or illustration to be sent far away, and any contract could be signed and exchanged" over a distance up to 19,000 kilometers (12,000

Despite such wondrous inventions, Verne's hero Michel becomes dejected over a society in which much of the population is addicted to technology, heavily indebted to huge corporations and no longer interested in the classical achievements of the past.

Michel wanders among bookstores looking in vain for the works of that "unknown" writer, Victor Hugo. He ultimately concludes that "the beautiful French language is lost" and, fore-say makes his missing novel all the more im-



Jules Verne's long-lost prophetic novel has just been published.

shadowing today's cultural wars, he laments the fact that scientists and other professionals have thrown themselves to the foreigner . . . and drawn their most unpleasant titles from

In the end, Michel and his fellow writers can no longer find work and wind up in a daily struggie just to feed and clothe themselves. It is a futuristic Orwellian nightmare that scholars

pressive: For not only did Verne predict many feats of modern technology, but he also discerned some of the most frightening consequences.

"Verne saw the 20th century as a rather pessimistic place," says Piero Gondelo Della Riva, a specialist who runs a private museum filled with Verne artifacts. "He simply figured that poetry and books would have a hard time coexisting with science and machines."

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A CIKESS Mery Successions of Al Joison's knee, Jimmy Durante's nose and Betty Grable's leg in the courtyard of Mann's Chinese Theater on Hollywood Boulevard. Those impressions aside, the Academy Award-winning actress says what has really impressed her children is her role as the voice of Bart's new girlfriend in "The Simpsons." "It's given me more credibility in my home than anything I've ever done." Streep said.

Rumors that the Duchess of York is patching up her marriage to Prince Andrew were dismissed as "wishful thinking" by British tabloids on Monday. The Daily Express quoted a senior courtier as saying iawyers had drawn up a divorce blueprint under which "Fergie" would forfeit the title Her Royal Highness. The furor started when the duchess's father, Major Ronald Ferguson, suggested in the Daily Mail that she might be heading for a reconciliation with Andrew. In excerpts from his autobiography, "The Galloping Major," which he has sold to the Mail, he suggested his daughter would love to return to Andrew,

but feared the prince would not stand up



**PEOPLE** 

Meryl Streep getting handprinted.

for her against the "back-biting toadies" at the court of Queen Elizabeth II. . . . . The queen's youngest son, Prince Edward, interviewed President Nelson Mandela of South Africa in Johannesburg as part of a

documentary his production company The Theatre Division, is developing on the Commonwealth countries for Australian

Supermodel Christie Brinkley says her divorce from Billy Joel was a long time coming but if she had it to do all over again, she would marry him "because I was following my heart," she explained in TV

It was a stroll down memory lane and  $\delta$ across London's Abbey Road pedestrian crossing for Beatles fans on Monday on the 25th anniversary of the band's "Abbey Road" album. The studios where the alrative exhibition to mark the record's :: launch but not all the fans in attendance were pleased with the event. "I don't agree with it. It's too commercial," said 45-yearold Alan Harrington.

The Australian-born actress Nicole Kidman (she's married to Tom Cruise) has been appointed UNICEF's goodwill ama

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